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Waveland celebrates Juneteenth

Helping Hands organization honors, supports community service

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Last weekend, Waveland Helping Hands Community Organization hosted its annual Juneteenth celebration at Martin Luther King Park.

WHHCO vice-president Clarence Singleton-Harris said it went well. This year, the group decided to host a two-day event instead of one.

According to the WWHCO booklet, “Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration commemorating the ending of slavery in the United States. Dating back to 1865, it was on June 19 that the Union soldiers, led by Major General Gordon Granger, landed at Galveston, Texas with news that the war had ended and that the enslaved were now free. Note that this was



Photo by Cassandra Favre | Sea Coast Echo
Members of the community gathered in Waveland last weekend to celebrate Juneteenth at Martin Luther King Park.

two-and-a-half years after President Lincoln’s Emancipation Proclamation — which had become official January 1, 1863. The Emancipation

Proclamation had little impact on the Texans due to the minimal number of Union troops to enforce the new Executive Order. However, with

the surrender of General Lee in April of 1865, and the arrival of General Granger’s regiment, the forces were finally strong enough to influ-

ence and overcome the resistance.”

Rev. Otis led the prayer on Saturday.

“It’s good to be here,” he said. “It’s good to see us together coming to have a joyous occasion celebrating June 19th celebration 2024. We’re going to give praise and honor to God, who is our Savior.”

Waveland Mayor Jay Trapani welcomed everyone to the event.

“The city of Waveland appreciates everything this community, the Helping Hands organization does for Waveland,” he said. “We will continue to support Helping Hands, Martin Luther King playground through my whole administration. Anything you want for the play-

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The Sky’s the Limit: Skydweller Aero hosts STEM program for students

BY GEOFF BELCHER
PUBLISHER

Skydweller Aero Inc. offered an in-depth engineering experience for high schoolers last week, teaching them about aerodynamics, plane design and solar technology.

“It’s teaching a bunch of very cool stuff,” Xander McGarrity, who just graduated from Hancock High School, said. “We’re learning about aerodynamics and distribution of weight, soldering solar arrays, engineering and solar cell technology.”

McGarrity came to Skydweller just to learn and quickly became an intern with the company.

Skydweller Aero is a transatlantic aerospace company “developing

and manufacturing a fleet of exceptionally large solar powered aircraft capable of achieving perpetual flight with heavy, powerful payloads,” according to the company’s website. “Skydwellers are autonomous aircraft manufactured from carbon-fiber, with a wing-span greater than a 747, and will be used for long duration missions such as providing continuous coverage above war zones, surveilling naval activity in contested waters, and detecting drug smugglers and pirates at sea. Because Skydwellers are solar powered, they are inexpensive to operate and maintain, and feature zero carbon



Photo by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
Members of the “Geek Squad” test the aircraft they made last week during Skydweller Aero’s STEM camp at PRCC’s Aviation and Aerospace Workforce Academy in Hancock County.

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HCLS executive director speaks to supervisors about library budget

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Hancock County Library System Executive Director John Brdecka on Monday gave a pre-

sentation to the Hancock County Board of Supervisors regarding the library system’s FY25 budget.

Brdecka has been executive director since

2021.

“Since then, the library system has undergone numerous positive changes to deliver the programming and services that our commu-

nity needs and desires,” he said. “One of my first actions as executive director was to conduct interviews with every staff member in the library system. These one-on-

one meetings were informal, providing each staff member with the oppor-

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Today
89°

Low Temperature 75°F
85% Chance of Rain
Humidity 68%

High Tide
11:04 am @ 2.1 ft
Low Tide
10:29 pm @ -0.39 ft



June 21
90°

Low Temperature 75°F
77% Chance of Rain
Humidity 68%

High Tide
11:44 am @ 2.2 ft
Low Tide
11:18 pm @ -0.46 ft



June 22
91°

Low Temperature 75°F
88% Chance of Rain
Humidity 67%

High Tide
12:25 pm @ 2.26 ft
Low Tide



June 23
89°

Low Temperature 79°F
69% Chance of Rain
Humidity 71%

High Tide
01:07 pm @ 2.26 ft
Low Tide
12:09 am @ -0.46 ft



June 24
88°

Low Temperature 80°F
89% Chance of Rain
Humidity 73%

High Tide
01:46 pm @ 2.17 ft
Low Tide
12:58 am @ -0.43 ft



June 25
83°

Low Temperature 79°F
88% Chance of Rain
Humidity 81%

High Tide
02:19 pm @ 1.94 ft
Low Tide
01:43 am @ -0.26 ft



June 26
78°

Low Temperature 77°F
86% Chance of Rain
Humidity 90%

High Tide
02:36 pm @ 1.67 ft
Low Tide
02:17 am @ -0.03 ft



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ground, I'll do my best to get it. Come see me at city hall, email, text me. This is important for the children, the children need something to do. This playground is very important to this community. Anything y'all think that the city can afford to do to help the children, just let me know."

Ward 3 Alderman Bobby Richardson also spoke.

"I'm glad to be out here to support a good cause," he said.

This year, WHHCO also recognized Bo Humphrey for his contributions to the community.

Singleton-Harris said Humphrey was recognized for his service and leadership in the community, in addition to his role as Waveland's public works manager.

"He's an outstanding person in the community," he said.

In a tribute, WHHCO described Humphrey as a "quiet servant."

"He sees a need, fills it, and quietly moves on," the tribute states.



Photos by Cassandra Favre | Sea Coast Echo
At left, young adults learned how to play chess during last weekend's celebration. At right, Waveland Mayor Jay Trapani speaks to the crowd.



Photos by Cassandra Favre | Sea Coast Echo
At left, the people participate in the annual horseshoe tournament. At right, children cooled off at the splash pad.



In addition to his years with the city, Humphrey also owned and operated Mobile Magic Pressure Washing and Detailing.

"With a mindset that there's always enough work to go around, he has employed family, friends, and others who just needed a chance," the tribute states. "If he can't take care of it, he happily refers them to other locals for the opportunity. Having Mobile Magic provided a great opportunity for him to both converse with clients and mentor those who worked with him. Even referenced it as his ministry at one point. A great listener, so many of his customers still call him just to chat."

The tribute further

states that Humphrey can be found serving communities after disasters, family and church functions, fundraisers, employee gatherings, or local summer festivals and celebrations.

"Many of his mentees refer to him as 'Uncle Bo,' a source they can count on for inspiration," the tribute states. "He's always been an open book and doesn't mind sharing any life experiences he's had that can help guide. Often relaying that 'if I can do it, anyone can.' His straight-shooter characteristic is one that most appreciate and have come to respect. Some may take a bit longer to get used to it, but he's not one to mince words. The honesty is there... if it comes up, it's coming out. Moreover, he's just a simple man, leading a simple life, who simply enjoys spending time with his family and friends. His enjoyment includes listening to all genres of music, having meaningful conversations; particularly about finance; taking fishing trips; enjoying classic cars, new experiences, and traveling occasionally, to name a few."

HCPHC CEO Blaine LaFontaine Named Top
CEO by Mississippi Business Journal

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Blaine LaFontaine, Executive Director of Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission, has been honored as a 2024 Top CEO by the Mississippi Business Journal. This recognition highlights his outstand-

ing leadership and contributions to Hancock County's growth and development.

"I am honored to be recognized among this group of professionals statewide. I have had the privilege to work with so many talented people all focused on making Mississippi better every



Blaine LaFontaine

day. Furthermore, this recognition is a testament to the outstanding team dedicated to our mission at Hancock Port and Harbor.", remarked Blaine LaFontaine, Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission Executive Director.

LaFontaine's journey at Hancock County Port

and Harbor Commission began in March 2021 when he joined as the Chief Operations Officer/Port Director. His performance and leadership skills led to his appointment as the Executive Director in January 2023. In this role, he is responsible for overseeing the organization's operations, procedures, and development at Port Bienville Industrial Park and Stennis International Airport.

During his time at Hancock County Port and Harbor Commis-

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Hollywood celebrates ribbon cutting for new lounge

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast last week celebrated the grand opening of Palisades Cocktail Bar & Lounge with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

“With the successful additions of Azalea Spa & Salon and Lucky Noodle Bar last April, we are focused on continuing to add new experiences for our guests,” Hollywood Vice President of Marketing Kyle Widows said. “Palisades and Bogart’s Bistro are two of the most recent openings, as well as new resort attractions at our marina like Cruisin’ Tiki Tours and pontoon boat and jet ski rentals. There has never been so much to do at Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast.”

After the ceremony on Wednesday, guests were invited to enjoy drinks and hors d’oeuvres during the Hancock Chamber Business After Hours event in the brand-

new Palisades Cocktail Bar & Lounge.

This newest addition to Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast offers guests a luxurious bar and lounge to enjoy specialty cocktails and premium spirits just steps away from all the gaming action. Guests can enjoy a wide variety of signature hand-crafted cocktails and martinis made with high-quality, fresh ingredients. Indulge in the tropical flavors of the Palisades Dream featuring Papa’s Pilar Dark Rum and Falernum liqueur expertly mixed with fresh lime juice, pineapple juice and coconut cream. Savor the classic richness of the Mad Man perfectly prepared with Woodford Reserve Bourbon, bitters, sugar cube and garnished with an orange twist. Sip on a refreshing Mojito-Tini crafted with a blend of Bacardi Superior Rum, fresh mint, blueberries and lime

juice. With 18 delectable cocktails and martinis on the menu, there is sure to be an option for everyone.

Palisades will also thrill wine enthusiasts with its extensive collection of 25 premium wines and champagne, served by the glass or bottle. Unsure of what to order? Expertly selected martini, bourbon and wine flights are available to help discover a new favorite.

The hours of operation for Palisades are: Sunday: 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. Monday – Tuesday: closed Wednesday – Thursday: 2 p.m. – 10 p.m. Friday – Saturday: 12 a.m. – 12 a.m.

Hours are subject to change. For more information, please visit hollywoodgulfcoast.com/dining/palisades-bar.

Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast is a premier gaming and entertainment destination located



Photo by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
The Hancock Chamber last week helped Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast celebrate the grand opening of Palisades Cocktail Bar & Lounge! The new bar is well appointed with comfortable, plush seating, a pool view and an extensive wine and craft cocktail menu. It’s located where the hotel front seat used to be, right inside the entrance.

in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. The property features a 295-room hotel, an award-winning golf course, full-service spa & salon, and a variety of dining options, including a steakhouse, buffet and noodle bar. With approximately 800 slot machines and 24 table games, Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast offers endless entertainment.

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footprint.”

The company originated in Oklahoma and opened its testing facility and temporary hangar at Stennis International Airport earlier this year.

The multi-day STEM experience took place at Pearl River Community College’s Frank Ladner Aviation and Aerospace Workforce Academy, located near the airport and Hancock High School.

The program was

funded by a small business grant from the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, made possible by a grant from Mississippi Power.

“I think this program is great,” PRCC Vice-President Dr. Raymond Barnes said last week. “It will provide a platform for these students to see what engineering is all about. It’s a collaboration among multiple agencies. We planted some good seeds this week. Whenever we can join hands with all of these stakeholders, it’s as

good as you can get.”

The previous week, Skydwell hosted a camp for middle-school aged students at the PRCC location.

Through the program, students learned about science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) by actually building wooden gliders and solar-cell mobile phone battery chargers for their schools.

“We’re teaching these kids how to solder and build solar arrays, and hopefully soon, we’ll be teaching adults the

same thing,” David Tyler, operations director for Skydwell, said during the camp. “I’ve had an absolutely amazing experience this week. These students, their hard work and their attitude, it’s been exemplary. ... It shows the educational excellence we have here in Hancock County schools, both at Bay High and Hancock High School. ... This is how we develop our workforce. We can only do that by having innovative engineers in the future, and these are the



Photo by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
As part of the learning exercises, students created solar chargers for mobile phones. The chargers will be placed at area schools so students can use them.

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Hancock & Harrison County, MS - According to industry experts, there are over 33 physical problems that will come under scrutiny during a home inspection when your home is for sale. A new report has been prepared which identifies the eleven most common of these problems, and what you should know about them before you list your home for sale.

Whether you own an old home or a brand new one, there are several things that can fall short of requirements during a home inspection. If not identified and dealt with, any of these 11 items could cost you dearly in terms of repair. That's why it's critical that you read this report before you list your home. If you wait until the building inspector flags these issues for you, you will almost certainly experience costly delays closing your home sale or, worse, turn prospective buyers away altogether. In most cases, you can make a reasonable pre-inspection yourself if you know what you're looking for, and knowing what you're looking for can help you prevent little problems from growing into costly and unmanageable ones.

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New life for books at Bay Life Gifts



Photo by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
Bay Life Gifts inside Century Hall in Old Town Bay St. Louis last week celebrated a ribbon cutting ceremony for its new “Book Niche.”

BY GEOFF BELCHER
PUBLISHER

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce last week hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new “Book Niche” at Bay Life Gifts inside Century Hall in Old Town Bay St. Louis. “I’m so excited to be able to offer this to the people of Bay St. Louis,” Bay Life owner Janice Guido said.

Guido said her focus has been on local and regional authors, plus books geared toward other topics of interest to people on the Coast, such as Bay St. Louis author L.L. Lee’s latest

book, “The Little House of Healing,” and Biloxi attorney Candace Cox Wheeler’s “Squall in the Gulf.”

Lee will be signing her latest novel at Bay Life on June 22.

Bay Life also offers a vast collection of children’s books. “It’s been wonderful,” Guido said. “I love talking with the children and watching them pick up books and look through them. ... I’m very passionate about books and I’m an avid reader.”

Guido said she loves working with local writers, such as children’s book author Natalie Guess, who attended the ribbon cutting ceremony.

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Holy Trinity Catholic School’s April Knights of the Month



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Holy Trinity students who best displayed the virtue of Faithfulness were awarded Knight of the Month for April. Recipients include: Beckham Cunningham, Kindergarten; Mason Garriga - Kindergarten; Austin Johnson - First grade; Leila Dasco, First grade; Levi Ladner - Second grade; Gideon Garcia - Second grade; Beckett Alexander - Third grade; Kylie Cobb - Third grade; Eva Ladner - Fourth grade; Addison Ross - Fourth grade; Braxton Munsch - Fifth grade; Reese Lichtenstein - Sixth grade; Caleb Chauvin - Sixth grade. These outstanding students received a liter of Smart Water, a sports bottle, certificate, and a yard sign to proudly display their achievement.

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FROM THE MAYOR

THE GARFIELD LADNER PIER DILEMMA

During my 2022 campaign, nearly every resident I spoke with mentioned two key issues: the Apartment Complex on Waveland Avenue behind Circle K and the Garfield Ladner Pier. With the Apartment Complex soon to be under new ownership and slated for renovation, the focus now shifts to the Pier. The Garfield Ladner Pier is a valuable asset to Waveland and the entire community.

To provide some background on the pier situation, I only heard rumors before I was sworn in and thus won't comment on those. However, I can confirm there were delays in securing funds from FEMA.

In September 2022, almost two years after Hurricane Zeta, then-Mayor Mike Smith announced that FEMA had allocated \$4.3 million for the pier's rebuilding and mitigation. FEMA's reimbursement process requires that the city follow the agreed-upon scope of work during construction to qualify for reimbursement. Deviations can result in denied payments.

While researching FEMA funding procedures, we identified a procurement issue related to engineering services, raising the risk that FEMA might deny reimbursement for part or all of the project. To mitigate this risk, we advertised for engineering services procurement in late March and early April.

After selecting an engineering firm in late April, we put together the bid package, since the scope of work had not changed. In November, the lowest bid came in at \$5.9 million—\$1.6 million more than the FEMA allocation.

Here lies the Garfield Ladner Pier dilemma. According to the Cambridge Dictionary, a dilemma is "a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two different things that you could do." My administration faces such a dilemma with



GUEST COLUMN
BY WAVELAND MAYOR
JAY TRAPANI

Hancock History: The Vietnam War

The Gulf of Tonkin incident in August 1964 prompted the United States Congress to pass a resolution enabling President Lyndon Johnson to deploy combat troops for the first time to South Vietnam. Previously, the United States had sent military advisors to South Vietnam. After World War II, the US assumed the role of the world's peacekeeper, and today there are 171,736 active duty military troops across 178 countries. Nevertheless, the United States was formally at war in South Vietnam from 1964-1972 hoping to prevent North Vietnam from unifying all of Vietnam under a Communist government. Several veterans from Hancock County have kindly offered to recount some of their experiences during that time for the historical record which will be the subject of several forthcoming columns.

Ronald (Ron) David Thorp was born April 15, 1945, in Westerly, Rhode Island. His father was Raymond Thorp (1914-2014) who was a construction worker.

His mother was Ann Manzella (1917-1989). Ron graduated from Westerly High School and the University of Rhode Island in 1967 where he completed the ROTC program entering the US Army Infantry as a Second Lieutenant. He had fixed-wing pilot training in his college ROTC program. Ron added two years to his active-duty commitment by volunteering for helicopter training. In 1968, the Army trained five thousand helicopter pilots. Ron had eighty-two in his flight class, nine of whom were killed in action.

On December 7, 1968, Ron deployed to Vietnam and he quickly learned that "Over there, we owned the day and the Viet Cong/NVA owned the night." Ron was stationed at Bear Cat located in Three Corps with the 240th Assault Helicopter Company. The mission was to support any of our troops that needed assistance. Ron's day started at dawn, before the mess hall opened, which meant he

did not get a hot breakfast but ate C-rations left over from World War II with his own McIlheny tobacco sauce to add flavor. During the first six months his weight diminished from 175 to 130 lbs.

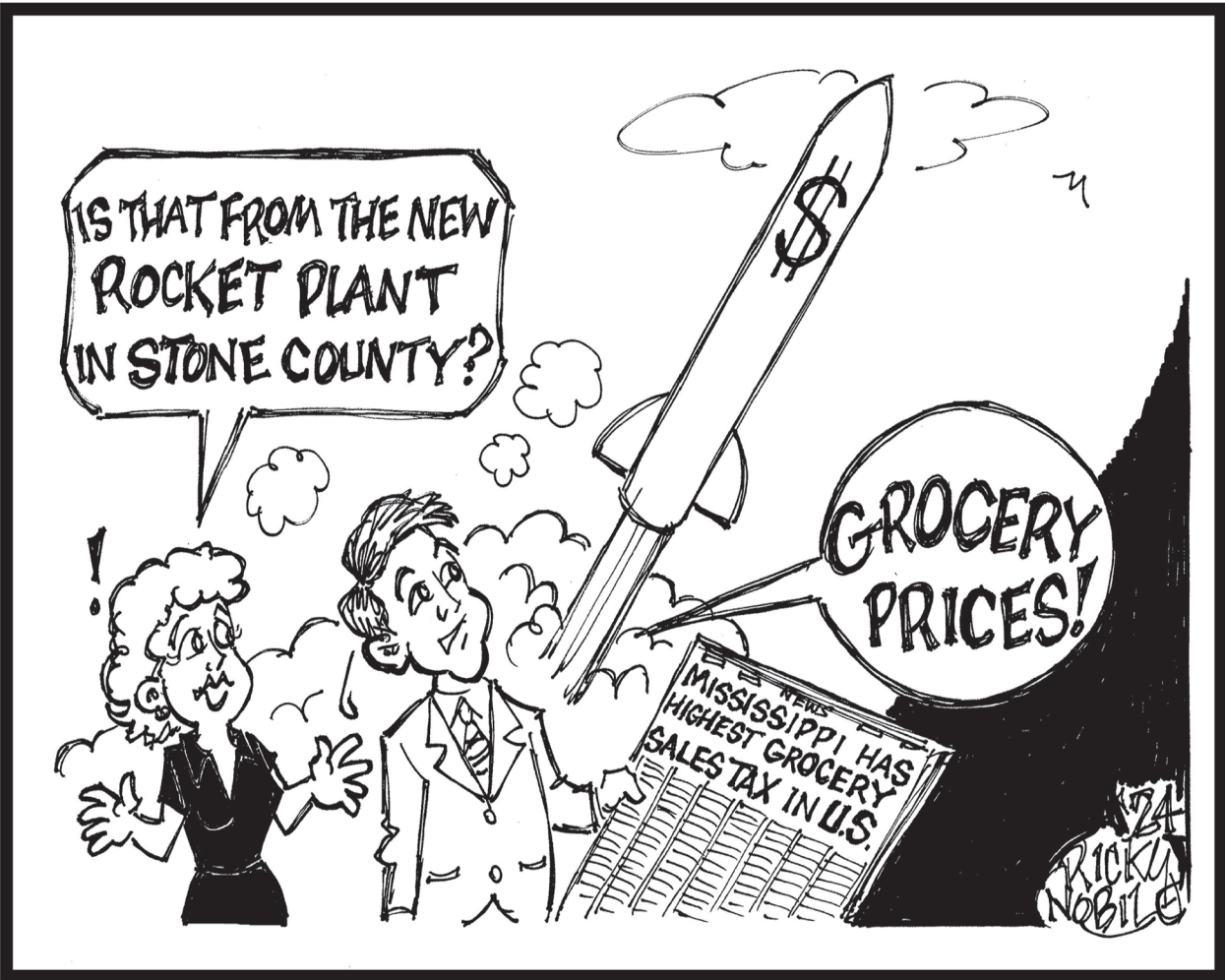
Ron and his helicopter company preformed the following missions: 1. Insert or extract troops, medical evacuation or move supplies; 2. Attack gunships to protect insertions and extractions or hit identified targets; 3 Command and control to coordinate all aircraft in the mission and provide an air platform for the commander of the troops on the ground. A "slick" was a helicopter used to insert or extract troops in a LZ (landing zone). A hot landing zone was one under enemy fire. Most of the Helicopter pilots were Warrant Officers rather than commissioned officers like Ron. Warrant Officers are trained to do a job such as fly a helicopter, but not to command others, and they had grades: W1, W2, W3, and W4. W1 and W2's were very young and very good at



HANCOCK HISTORY
BY JAMES KEATING M.D.

their jobs. A "Huey" was the nickname of the Bell Utility-1 Iroquois helicopter, which was the phonetic pronunciation of the HU-1. The Huey was the "workhorse of the Vietnam War." Pilots such as Ron refined their techniques so they could swoop down in tactical formations into a hot LZ Zone, and insert or extract troops or casualties and take off in seconds. Designated Medical Unit Pilots known by their call sign, "Dust Off," flew some of the most dangerous missions in the Vietnam War.

In our next column we will continue the story of Ron Thorp.



Spotlight on Leadership Hancock: Building Community Leaders Through Dedication and Service

GUEST COLUMN
BY HANCOCK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Hancock Chamber of Commerce is dedicated to the continual improvement of the community, and one of the primary ways it achieves this is through its various committees. These committees, composed of passionate volunteers, implement a wide range of programs and projects that address diverse community needs. In the upcoming weeks, the Sea Coast Echo will highlight each of the Hancock Chamber's Committees, showcasing their contributions and the vital work they do.

One of the Chamber's most esteemed and en-

during programs is Leadership Hancock. This program, meticulously planned and executed by the Leadership Steering Committee, has garnered much acclaim for its impact on the community. Chaired by Janell Nolan of Coast Electric, the Leadership Steering Committee oversees all aspects of the program, from coordinating classes to selecting participants.

Leadership Hancock is a comprehensive 9-month program designed to impart a deep understanding of Hancock County's operations while fostering leadership skills among its participants. The program runs from September to May, culminating in a graduation ceremony

in June. It kicks off with a half-day orientation in September, followed by an immersive overnight retreat at Camp Beckwith in Fairhope, Alabama. Throughout the program, participants engage in tours of major employers and meet with leaders in various sectors, including education, workforce development, heavy industry, small business, and government.

To facilitate the eight-session program, committee members meticulously plan the curriculum, secure speakers, arrange transportation, gather materials, and more. Joy Saucier from Mississippi Power plays a pivotal role in overseeing the leadership development

aspect. She administers the DISC assessment for each participant, which enhances teamwork and communication skills, and conducts a skills development session during each class.

The Leadership Steering Committee boasts a diverse group of dedicated individuals, including Will Addison (Sabie), Michelle Anderson (INFINITY Science Center), Dr. Raymunda Barnes (Pearl River Community College), John Brdecka (Hancock County Library System), Rich Chase (Silver Slipper Casino Hotel), Geoff Clemens (Hancock County Port & Harbor

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ARREST RECORD

Arrests logged at the Hancock County Justice facility from June 10 to June 17 appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

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Melissa S. Jernigan, 34, probation violation
Zachary T. Kingston, 35, burglary
William T. Bailey III, 38, motor vehicle: leaving scene of accident - involving only vehicular
Dillon S. Ladner, 30, possession of paraphernalia; contempt of court failure to appear; profane and indecent language over telephone
Heather M. Cumberland, 40, embezzlement
Bruce A. Robinson, 53, trespassing
Victor T. Longoria-Garza, 40, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense
Jeremy S. Marsh, 43, felony possession of controlled substance
Lua T. Nguyen, 65, contempt of court failure to appear
Payton L. Ford, 30, parole violation
Nickolas A. Cooper, 38, probation violation
Glenn P. Luxich, 37, contempt failure to appear payment hearing
Irwin L. Tunis, 54, contempt failure to appear payment hearing
Tiffany K. Taylor, 33, felony possession of controlled substance
Maurice T. Lull, 33, DUI 1st offense; possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle
Ashley M. Dunhurst, 36, careless driving; simple domestic violence simple assault; resisting/

obstructing arrest
Jesse K. Mitchell, 32, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Damon K. Peterson, 43, contempt of court failure to appear
Chad D. Fricke, 52, contempt failure to comply
Jessica N. Thomas, 42, contempt of court failure to appear
Cedric A. Page, 43, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
April S. Kolb, 52, DUI 1st offense
Anthony M. Miller, 37, disorderly conduct
Byron L. Cuevas, 44, disorderly conduct; motor vehicle resisting/obstructing arrest
Quartez D. Callahan, 33, burglary x 2; attempted burglary
Harvey F. Galotte III, 39, hold for other agency
Robert R. Hughes, 53, contempt failure to appear
Ronald P. Doyle Jr., 52, simple assault
Madison R. Peterson, 18, probation violation justice court
Rome A. Nguyen, 37, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute x 2
Amanda M. Mason, 34, disorderly conduct; disturbance of family
Kelly N. Cox, 33, shoplifting
Devin L. Wade, 31, contempt of court failure to appear x 3
Toddrick B. Burns, 47, DUI 1st offense
Aaron D. Bobinger, 39, felony possession of controlled substance; tampering with physical evidence; parole violation
Scott Gray, 38, hold for other agency
Eric B. Alligood, 41, back for court/court or-

der
Jacob A. Seals, 33, back for court/court order
Andrew J. Nelson, 32, adult, vulnerable, abuse, neglect, exploitation of - intimidation
Henry R. Schmidt Jr., 57, contempt failure to pay
Garred P. Toney, 38, DUI 1st offense; endangering a child by driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or other substance
Bronson T. Nicosia, 26, simple domestic violence simple assault
Pamela Nicosia, 64, simple domestic violence simple assault
Salvador J. Harmon, 51, felony possession of controlled substance
Terry A. Owens, 62, possession of weapon by felon; felony possession of controlled substance; tampering with physical evidence; bond revoked
Tammy C. Walters, 38, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Bruce E. Lacoste, 36, careless driving; DUI
Ronald B. Padilla, 36, simple domestic violence simple assault; hold for ICE
William H. Troulliet Jr., 44, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle; probation violation; contempt of court failure to appear
Kyle B. Goss, 34, DUI 1st offense
Raymond J. Alexander Jr., 50, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense; manufacture of a controlled substance; contempt of court failure to appear
Aaron A. Fisher Jr., 21, contempt failure to appear

Thomas A. Fountain, 35, contempt failure to appear
Corisa N. Elzy, 34, contempt of court failure to appear (bench warrant)
David M. Nguyen, 38, trespass
Jackie L. Steele, 57, larceny felony taking of a vehicle
Dustin A. Lizana, 40, suspended license; no proof of liability insurance; tag-none, expired, improperly mounted, covering or mounted
Mark E. Stewart, 70, DUI 1st offense
Rose R. Collet, 43, receiving stolen property; controlled substance or counterfeit substance violations; no proof of liability insurance; tag-none, expired, improperly mounted, covering or mounted; vehicle improper lighting equipment
Justin R. Dedeaux, 39, DUI 1st offense
Raymond D. Chandler, 34, drunkenness/profanity in public place; disorderly conduct
John E. Hegler III, 48, felony possession of controlled substance; disorderly conduct
Darion K. Ladner, 25, DUI 1st offense
Paul H. Verdin III, 37, contempt of court failure to appear (payment hearing); contempt failure to pay
Lorna M. Daniels, 24, contempt of court failure to appear
Michael Smith, 30, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Tahaira A. Cuevas, 41, drivers license, no license, drivers - none or expired
James J. Taylor, 43, DUI 1st offense; possession of marijuana (1-30 grams); contempt of court failure to appear

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Commission), Michelle Fleming (St. Clare Catholic Church), Noel Grafe (The First Bank), Candace Labat (Mississippi Power Company), Vicki Reid Estapa (HL Raymond Properties), Megan Martinez (NASA's Stennis Space Center), Kendra McArthur Necaise (Silver Slipper Casino Hotel), Janell Nolan (Chairman - Coast Electric Power Association), Rhonda Rhodes (Hancock Resource Center), Maria Salter (HL Raymond Properties), Joy Saucier (Mississippi Power), and Edward Walley (Hancock County Sheriff's Department). Tish Williams, Hancock Chamber Executive Director, serves as the staff liaison to this



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Leadership Hancock Steering Committee from front left, Michelle Fleming, Rhonda Rhodes, Janell Nolan, Maira Salter, Vicki Reid Estapa, Regan Kane, Kendra McArthur Necaise. From back left, Joy Saucier, Noel Grafe, Tish Williams

committee.
The Leadership Hancock program exemplifies the Hancock Chamber's commitment to nurturing future com-

munity leaders through comprehensive education and skill development. For those who may be interested in participating in next year's

program, applications are open through July 31st at <http://hancock-chamber.org>.

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the Garfield Ladner Pier: we can either wait for FEMA to approve a cost adjustment before beginning construction or proceed with construction, requiring the City of Waveland to cover \$1.6 million of the costs, and praying for reimbursement on these additional costs from FEMA.

Waveland is not currently in a financial position to absorb the additional \$1.6 million in costs without a guarantee that Waveland will be reimbursed.
Since the bid opening in November 2023, we've been in discussions with MEMA and FEMA regarding the cost analysis of the pier and mitigation. MEMA has forwarded the matter to FEMA, and I've been working with Senator

Roger Wicker's office, but primarily Congressman Ezell's office, to request FEMA's approval for the additional costs. On May 3, 2024, a FEMA representative sent an email to Congressman Ezell's staff stating that a determination should be made in the next week or two on the cost adjustment. Six weeks have passed without another response from FEMA.
Work to move this proj-

ect forward may not be happening on a daily basis, but it is a priority that is addressed every week. No one is more eager to see the pier back in operation than this Administration. We understand the community's frustration with the pier's current state, and we ask for your continued patience as we work through this dilemma.

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Obituaries

- REV. JAMES PAUL AVERY, SR.
- STAFF SERGEANT SHANNON MICHELLE PARKER, RETIRED, USAF

Rev. James Paul Avery, Sr.

James Paul Avery, Sr. “Spookey”, was born on October 9, 1946, in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, to the late Theodore Avery and Helen Griffin. After his mother’s passing, James was raised by his grandparents Chester and Mattie Griffin. On Wednesday, June 5, 2024, Spookey transitioned to eternal life.

James, a graduate of George Washington Carver High School in Picayune, Mississippi, was an outstanding athlete and quarterback of the high school football team. The Carver High Pirates had an exceptional record and several state championships. After graduating with the class of 1966, Spookey continued his education and athletic career at Mississippi Valley State University where he was also Quarterback. Being an exceptional athlete, football was not his only sport. After college, James spent time playing minor league baseball. Being a jack of all trades, James was no stranger to hard work. He was an entrepreneur and retired from General Motors in Mansfield, Ohio, where he worked as a crane operator for over 23 years. James was a compassionate man who lived by the motto “God loves a cheerful giver”.

With a smile that could light up and room,

and an undeniable charm, Spookey was truly one of a kind. He was always ready to lend a helping hand. James loved to laugh and spend time with his family. He was an avid outdoors-man, fisherman, and a music enthusiast.

Mr. James Paul Avery, Sr., was preceded in death by his mother, Helen Griffin; his father, Theodore Avery; his grandmother, Mattie Griffin; and his grandfather, Chester Griffin. Sisters: Annie Laura Griffin, Bettie Griffin Jones, Shirley Griffin, Rosalee Nicholson, Roseanne Avery, Brothers: EC Griffin, Richard Griffin, William Avery, Roy Avery and Nephew Larry “Poncho” Griffin, Jr., Cousins: Charles Quinn Sr. and Phil Quinn. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Carol Hampton Avery, whom he married on April 26, 1969; his son, James Paul (Ericur) Avery, Jr. of Catahoula, Mississippi; his daughter, Krystal (Zach Harriman) Avery of Marysville, OH; his grandchildren: Mychal, Tecarol, James III, Morgan, Jason, Ka’Nihia, Kody, Savannah and soon-to-arrive, Quinn; his great-grandchildren: Samarieon, Jamaya and Kyrie; his brother, Larry Griffin; his in-laws, Tom (Stephanie) Hampton, Larry (Vickie) Hampton, Mike (Glenda) Hampton and William Hampton; and many other relatives and friends, including



Terra Griffin, Reshonda Griffin, Kyle Jones, K’Shawn Smith and K’Aiden Griffin; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Funeral Services for James Paul “Spookey” Avery, Sr. will be held at the Little Providence Baptist Church, 21150 Highway 43, Picayune, MS, 39466, in the Catahoula Community. There will be a viewing Friday, June 14, 2024, from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm, and on Saturday, June 15, 2024, from 11:00 am until 12:00 noon. The services will be Saturday, June 15, 2024, at 12:00 noon. The interment will be at the Catahoula Cemetery. The repast will be in the Fellowship Hall of the Little Providence Baptist Church following the interment. Entrusted to Brown’s Funeral Home, 1011 Rosa Street, Picayune, MS 39466. Register Book, Obituary and Driving Direction can be found on our website at www.brownsfuneral-homepicayune.com

Carriere woman pleads guilty to manslaughter in 2021 death of Waveland police officer

ECHO STAFF

A Carriere woman on Monday pled guilty to manslaughter in the 2021 crash that killed an off-duty Waveland police officer.

Angela Christina James, 45, on Monday admitted she was legally drunk and driving at about 110 mph when her vehicle crashed, causing the death of Officer Katie Cash.

James was indicted for manslaughter and four counts of felony DUI — causing death in September 2023.

“On July 18, 2021, at approximately 3:40 a.m., state troopers with the Mississippi Highway Patrol responded to a single-vehicle crash at the intersection of Paradise Lane and Hwy. 603,” District Attorney W. Crosby Parker said in



Angela James

a press release after the indictment was handed down. “The driver of the vehicle was found inside ... while the other two passengers were ejected from the vehicle during the crash. One passenger succumbed to her injuries, while the driver and the other passenger were treated for serious injuries received from the crash.”

Cash had just graduated from the state po-

lice academy two days before the accident.

“It is with great regret that we announce the passing of police officer Katie Cash,” Waveland Police Chief Mike Prendergast said in a statement issued after the crash. “Katie was a 33-year-old mother of two who had just graduated the police academy on Friday, July 16. ... We ask that you keep the entire Waveland Police Department in your prayers and especially her two little girls and their family.”

After Circuit Judge Christopher Schmidt accepted James’ plea on Monday, she was transported back to the Hancock County Jail pending sentencing in August. She faces up to 20 years and prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Staff Sergeant Shannon Michelle Parker, Retired, USAF

Shannon Michelle Parker, age 40, was born on October 30, 1982, to Lelar Parker and John Parker. Shannon proudly graduated from Hancock High School in 2001 and furthered her education at Xavier University before courageously enlisting in the United States Air Force. She devotedly served our nation with distinction for over two decades, retiring after 20 years and 6 months of honorable service. A dedicated member of Holmes Chapel United Methodist Church, Shannon accepted Christ at an early age under the

leadership of Elder Bobby McGill. Shannon was deeply rooted in her community and faith.

She is lovingly survived by her devoted parents, Lelar Parker and John (Anita) Parker; her caring sister, Tayona (Dionn) Ogburn; her stepbrothers, Victor Spears and Lawrence Spears III; her nieces, Brittney Drake and Chandria Ogburn, her nephews, Marco Conerly and Dequivus Ogburn; and a vast circle of family, friends and fellow service members who deeply cherished her.

Funeral services to celebrate Shannon’s remarkable life were held on Monday, June 17, 2024, at 11AM, at Holmes Chapel United Method-



ist Church in Pearlinton, MS. She was laid to rest at Pearlinton Public Cemetery, leaving a legacy of bravery, commitment, and love. Entrusted to Brown’s Funeral Home of Picayune, MS. Register Book, Obituary and Driving Direction are located on our website at www.brownsfuneral-homepicayune.com

• CEO

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sion, LaFontaine has led numerous successful efforts, securing over \$40 million in federal and state grants for capital projects over the last two years. He has improved infrastructure and services for existing tenants, attracted new industries and jobs, expanded the organization’s mission to include commercial and retail efforts, and negotiated long-term contracts while enhancing partnerships and focusing on workforce development.

Before joining Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission, LaFontaine worked previously in economic development as Pearl River County’s Chief Economic Developer for one year.

Before his career in economic development, LaFontaine served a 4-year term as Board President on the Hancock County Board of Supervisors and a 4-year term as a Councilman for the City of Diamondhead. LaFontaine received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering Technology and a Master of Science in Economic Development from The University of Southern Mississippi. He has also obtained multiple Port Executive Certifications and an Executive Leadership Certification.

In 2016, LaFontaine was recognized by the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce as a winner of the prestigious Top 10 Under 40 award. In 2019, the Mississippi Business Journal also recognized LaFontaine as a winner of the prestigious Top 50 Under 40 award.

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

CASA of South Mississippi will hold its 11th Annual Poker Run presented by Casano Law Firm, Lindsey Lind Richard of Coldwell Banker Alfonso Realty and Parker Contracting, LLC on Saturday, June 22, 2024, at Dan B Murphy’s Restaurant & Bar in Bay St. Louis.

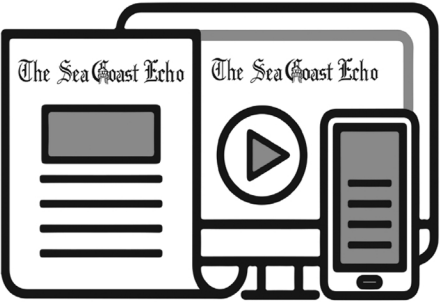
You can pre-register by visiting the CASA office at 644 Dunbar Ave, Bay St. Louis and day of registration will begin at 12pm at Dan B Murphy’s Restaurant & Bar, 109 South Beach Blvd, Bay St. Louis. Once participants collect their five punches on their card, they can return to Dan B’s to have their 5-card poker hand dealt. Dealers will begin dealing at 1:30pm. All participants must be in line to have their poker hands dealt no later than 4pm. Our live auction will commence after all hands are dealt.

This year’s Poker Run featured stops include Dan B’s, The Blind Tiger, Cuz’s Old Town Oyster Bar & Grill, Daiquiri Shak, Rags to Riches, Tripletails, and the Ugly Pirate. We deeply appreciate the support of each of our stops this year who have all also signed on as sponsors of the event. CASA encourages participants to visit these establishments and to support our local businesses.

“This event is successful because of the community’s support for the CASA mission”, states Cynthia Chauvin, Executive Director of CASA. A huge thank you to goes out to the following businesses/individuals: Casano Law Firm, Lindsey Lind Richard

of Coldwell Banker Alfonso Realty, Parker Contracting, LLC, Chiniche Engineering, Mississippi Power, Butler Snow, Huey Stockstill, LLC, Waters Architecture, Coast Electric Power Association, Specialty Contractors and Associates, His Way, High Caliber Guns, Hollywood Casino, The Rocker Foundation, Coastal Environmental Services, SouthGroup Insurance, Kelly Cannon State Farm, Daquiri Shak, Bouncing Beaver Transportation, Hancock Whitney Bank, Omni Tech, Dominos Pizza, Warran Automotive, Pilger Title, Silver Slipper, Keesler Federal Credit Union, Mary Bunch and Estus Key of John McDonald Realty, Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District, Dan B Murphy’s Restaurant & Bar, Cuz’s Old Town Oyster Bar & Grill, Tripletails, Rags to Riches, The Blind Tiger, Chuck Clark, Supervisor District 3, Jay McKnight, State Representative, the Ugly Pirate, Serendipity Creamery, Smith Family Chiropractic, Louisiana Log Home, Kellie’s Poor Boy, Pine Hills Nursery, Community Bank, and Hoffman Law Firm.

“The Poker Run is a fun event that gets friends and families together to support the work of CASA in the community”, states Mike Favre, Poker Run Chairman. CASA is encouraging the boating community, as well as local jeep clubs, car clubs, and motorcycle groups to participate this year. Participants purchase a poker hand for \$20 and the best three poker hands get to select from amazing prizes. For more info on the event please call 228.344.0419.



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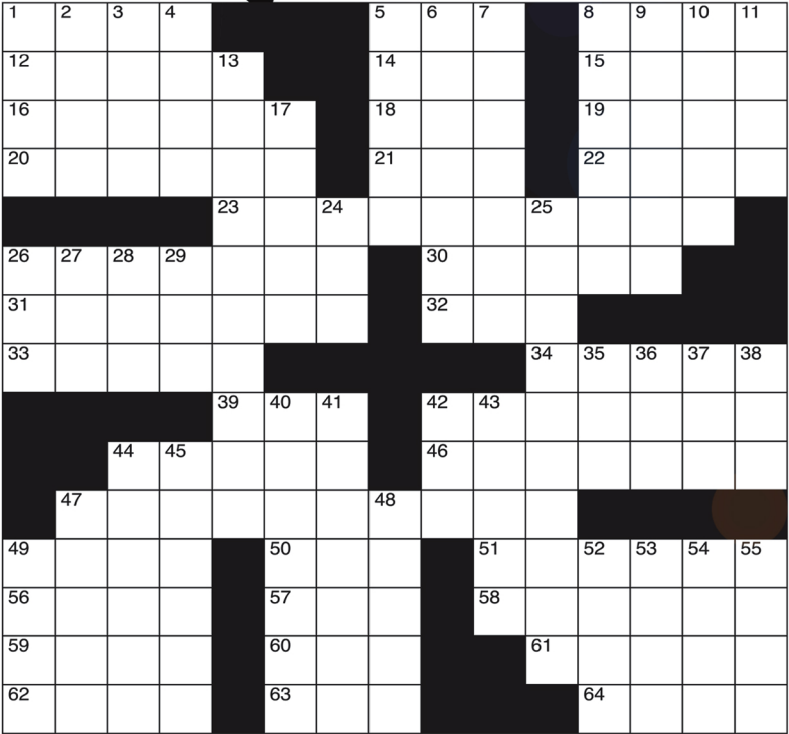
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Volunteer school groups

5. Cash machine

8. Title of various Muslim rulers

12. Indian hand clash cymbals

14. Scarf

15. Easily manageable

16. Cry

18. Financial term

19. Reactive structure in organic chemistry (abbr.)

20. Clean out a riverbed

21. Seaport (abbr.)

22. English seascape painter

23. Bring back again

26. Subtracted from

30. Related on the mother's side

31. Mooches

32. Commotion

33. Boer War general
34. Silklike nylon fabric

39. CNN's founder

42. Sarcastic in a bitter way

44. Minute reproductive unit

46. Nourishment

47. Large predatory tropical fish

49. Small, rich sponge cake

50. Drink a small amount

51. Golfer Rodriguez

56. Norse personification of old age

57. Large flightless bird

58. Capsized

59. Convicted American spy

60. Music genre

61. Makes tractors

62. Undergo cell disintegration

63. Patti Hearst's captors

64. Selfs

TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. June has two birthstones. What are they?
2. What are June's birth flowers?
3. Who is June named after?
4. What fruit is celebrated in the month of June?
5. June is Accordion Awareness Month. What type of instrument is an accordion?

CLUES DOWN

1. Post-traumatic stress disorder

2. Goat-like mammal

3. Swiss river

4. Slithered

5. Humiliate

6. Tumbled

7. Popular alcoholic drink

8. Small round hole in a leather cloth

9. Fertilizer

10. State of affairs that seems deliberately contrary

11. Count on

13. One who discriminates against

17. New Hampshire city

24. One who cares for teeth

25. Sent off

26. Mutual savings bank

27. Initial public offering

28. Denial
29. Northeastern institution of higher learning (abbr.)

35. A doctrine

36. Consumed

37. Trent Reznor's band

38. Perform in a movie

40. Schoolhouse implements

41. Mathematical term

42. Man who behaves dishonorably

43. Expression of regret

44. Martens

45. Approval

47. Pleasantly warm

48. The Eurasian hoopoe

49. NBAer Bradley

52. Engineering organization

53. Horsefly

54. Type of sandwich

55. A day in the middle of the month

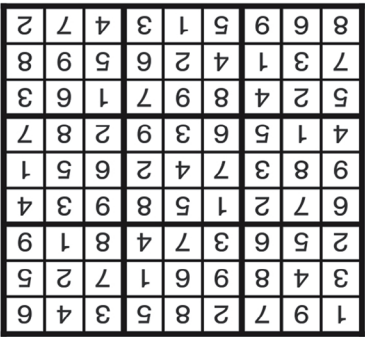
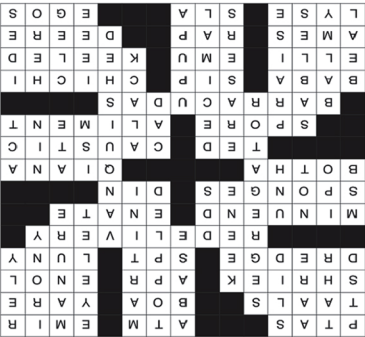
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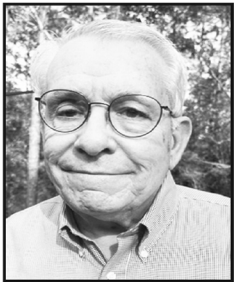
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3. Juno, Goddess of Marriage
4. The papaya — It's international papaya month.
5. It's a wind instrument.



Devotional Page

Tennessee Days

By REV. C. GERALD RICHARDSON, D. MIN



C. Gerald Richardson, D. MIN.

As these words go to press, I am in Monteagle, Tennessee attending a series of lectures at the Monteagle Assembly, which is a part of the Chautauqua program of our country. This movement began many years ago in upstate New York with the establishment of a community of people who wanted a place to retreat in the summer months and be

inspired by lectures, concerts, discussions, and other experiences which were enlightening. It continues to enrich the lives of participants, and it has spread to other parts of the country far beyond New York. Before living on the Gulf Coast my wife and I lived in Monteagle for many years, and we enjoyed the beautiful surroundings, the favorable climate, the assembly activities, and the relationship with the University of the South in neighboring Sewanee. The two towns' corporate limits actually touch each other, and there is a strong relationship between the citizens of each. The area has an interesting and important history. The Highlander Center was located in Monteagle. It was established by Myles Horton who was a

theologically educated leader of movements which worked to provide encouragement to workers, and especially minorities, who found themselves on the margins of society. His work began in the 1930's. In the beginning it mostly focused on the organization of a labor movement among coal miners in the area. Their working conditions were deplorable, and their compensation was shameful. Later, it moved in the direction of civil rights. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a frequent participant in the activities at Highlander, and Rosa Parks was also active in their work. Her refusal to relinquish her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama city bus came shortly after she returned from one of her trips to Highlander. First Lady Elanor Roosevelt was a

participant, and a display of her presence at Highlander is prominent in the Franklin Roosevelt Presidential Museum in Hyde Park, New York. The Monteagle Assembly continues to offer leadership, lectures, music, and fellowship to participants each summer. When we lived there, we attended many events and functions which were profoundly influential in providing broad insight into current issues. There was diversity of opinion, variety of attitudes, and meaningful discussion on a wide range of topics. Since moving away, we have tried to return each summer to attend a series of biblical and spiritual lectures which lead to deep and thoughtful reflection on current issues and the theo-

logical insights which inform them. The university community at Sewanee is often a major part of these experiences. I am very grateful for intellectual communities such as the Assembly for continuing to provide opportunities for reflection and dialogue of this kind. These days always enlarge my thinking, enrich my soul, and create space for deep and prayerful reflection. In addition, they offer opportunities to renew long standing friendships, engage in meaningful conversation, and bask in the peace and beauty of this assembly. The mountain top at Monteagle-Sewanee will always hold a special place in my heart, and I am grateful to return there from time to time for renewal and grace.

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Pearlington
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6028 Lakeshore Rd.
Lakeshore | 469-0110

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255-2089
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morning worship, 10 a.m.

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Sycamore & Watts
Bay St. Louis | 466-4849

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Paul Burdic, pastor
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CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

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501 Pine | Bay St. Louis
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Bay St. Louis 467-7757

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Diamondhead 255-9213

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Church St., Pass Christian

LUTHERAN

Lutheran Church of the Pines
309 Hwy 90, Waveland
467-6771

Grace Lutheran Church
19221 Pineville Rd.,
Long Beach
864-4248

METHODIST

Clermont Harbor United Methodist
Ioor St., Clermont Harbor
Pastor: Rev. T. Manuel
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Service: 11:00 a.m.

Diamondhead Methodist Church
5305 Noma Drive
Diamondhead | 255-6888
Pastor: Rev. Lee Ann Williamson • Sunday: 9:00 am
Worship and Kids Zone
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ship Hour • Tuesday: 8 am
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Bible Study

First United Methodist
526 E. Second St.
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16223-3rd at 7th Ave.
Pearlington | 533-9976

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New Life Methodist Church
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Community
Pastor Lee Ann Williamson

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Waveland | 864-4739

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MORMON

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Central Bible Church
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Bay St. Louis | 467-0529

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Bay St. Louis | 466-4951

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Bay St. Louis | 467-4488

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Bay St. Louis
Sunday, 10 a.m.
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493-9944

PENTECOSTAL

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Old Spanish Trail, Waveland
467-3575

Healing Hearts Church
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Bible study, Wed., 7 p.m.

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Sunday,10 a.m

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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2002, Arthur A. Paulk and Becky S. Paulk executed a Deed of Trust to William F. Dukes, Trustee for the benefit of Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration, an agency of the Government of the United States of America, which is recorded in Book 728 at Page 550 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and WHEREAS, Underwood Law Firm PLLC has been substituted as Trustee under the Deed of Trust; and

WHEREAS, default has been made in the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust and the entire debt secured thereby has been declared due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust, and the legal holder of the indebtedness secured thereby, U.S. Small Business Administration, has requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell the property in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder together with attorneys fees, Substituted Trustees fees, and expenses of sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, Under-

wood Law Firm PLLC, as Substituted Trustee under the Deed of Trust, will on June 27, 2024, offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash within legal hours (between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described property together with all improvements thereon situated in Hancock County, Mississippi:

Lot 18, Corr Contracting Company Subdivision, Phase 1, a subdivision of Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

UNDERWOOD LAW FIRM PLLC will convey only such title as is vested in it as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS OUR SIGNATURE, this the 21st day of May, 2024.

/s/ Andrew R. Wilson
Andrew R. Wilson (Miss. Bar #102862)
UNDERWOOD LAW FIRM PLLC
P.O. Box 1874
Madison, MS 39130
Phone: (601) 981-7773
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF B.K.G., a minor decedent

CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:24-cv-323 (JS)

DEVON WESTBROOK and AMANDA LYNN WESTBROOK CO-PETITIONERS v. UNKNOWN HEIRS DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS (Service by Publication: Resident Unknown)

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS, whose whereabouts and address is unknown. You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Co-Petitioners, DEVON WESTBROOK and AMANDA LYNN WESTBROOK. You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition to Establish Heirs on a date certain set by Fiat, at 9:30 a.m. on the 31st day of July, 2024, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Chancery Court, Mississippi, located at 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you so desire. ISSUED under my hand and the seal of Court this, the 12th day of June 2024.

TIFFANY LEE COWMAN Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF B.K.G., a minor decedent

CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:24-cv-323

(JS)

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TIFFANY LEE COWMAN Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

BALLENTINE PROPERTIES, LLC PETITIONER VERSUS THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, ET AL DEFENDANTS CAUSE NO. 23CH1-24-CV-300 CB

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Any and all Persons who may be adversely effected or directly effected or directly interested in the vacation of the lot lines and the re-subdivision thereof as herein set forth who are hereby served with process by publication as required by Miss. Code Ann. §19-27-31 and any and All Persons having or claiming an interest, legal or equitable, in and to the following described property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Parcel 1: Lots 1 through 11, inclusive, of the Mrs. John Fayard Subdivision of Lots 60, 63, and 64 of the Fourth Ward of the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, as per the official plat of said city made by E. S. Drake, C. E. and filed May 1, 1923, in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi. (Deeds J-2/304; J-2/288; J-2/310; J-2/316)

Parcel 2: Lot 63 of the Fourth Ward of the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, as per official plat of said city made by E. S. Drake, C. E., and filed May 1, 1923, in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Said lot comprises part of Lots 14, 15, 16, and 17 of the John Fayard Subdivision and is the same land acquired by Mrs. John Fayard, Jr., by deed dated May 7, 1946, and which is recorded in Vol. G-O, Page 263, in the Records of Deeds, Hancock County, Mississippi. (Deeds J-2/288 and J-2/289)

Parcel 3: Lot 62 of the Fourth Ward of the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, as per official plat of said city made by E. S. Drake, C. E., and filed May 1, 1923, in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi. (Deed J-2/288)

Parcel 4: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Lot 62, Fourth Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi; thence North 69 Degrees 41 Minutes West 250.18 feet to an iron stake; thence North 20 Degrees 24 Minutes East 90.80 feet to an iron stake; thence North 70 Degrees 21 minutes West 200.13 feet to an iron stake; thence South 20 degrees West 37.22 feet to an iron stake; thence South 70 Degrees 16 minutes East 199.80 feet to the place of beginning being a part of Lots 60, 61, and 62, Fourth Ward City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, as per official map of said City by E. S. Drake, C. E., dated May 1, 1923 and on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. (Deed J-2/364)

Parcel 5: Beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot 63, Fourth Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi; thence South 70 Degrees East 198.12 feet to an iron

stake; thence South 20 Degrees West 36.00 feet to an iron stake on the South line of Lot 66; thence North 70 Degrees West 198.12 feet to an iron stake; thence North 69 Degrees 41 Minutes West 288.12 feet to an iron stake; thence North 20 degrees East 36.00 feet to an iron stake; thence South 69 degrees 41 minutes East 288.98 feet to the place of beginning, said land being part of Lot 66, Fourth Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, as per official map of said city by E. S. Drake, C. E., dated May 1, 1923 and on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. (Deed J-2/364)

Parcel 6: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Lot 62, Fourth Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi; thence North 69 Degrees 41 Minutes West 250.18 feet to an iron stake as a place of beginning; thence North 20 degrees 24 Minutes East 90.80 feet to an iron stake; thence North 70 Degrees 16 minutes West 199.80 feet to an iron stake; thence South 20 degrees West 88.77 feet to an iron stake; thence South 69 Degrees 41 Minutes East 198.75 feet to the place of beginning, said land being part of Lot 61, Fourth Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, as per official map of said city by E. S. Drake, C. E., dated May 1, 1923 and on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. (Deed J-2/460)

Parcel 7: Beginning at the Northeast Corner of Lot 150, in the Fourth Ward of the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, as per official plat made by E. S. Drake, C. E. dated May 1, 1923 and on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; thence North 70 Degrees West 300 feet, more or less, thence North 20 Degrees East 35 feet, more or less to the North Line of said Lot 66; thence South 70 East 300 feet, more or less, thence South 20 Degrees West 35 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning, being part of Lot 66 of the 4th Ward of the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. (Deed J-3/385)

You have been made Defendants is a Complaint to Vacate and Alter Plat of Real Property Pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated §19-27-31 (1972), filed in this Court by Ballentine Properties, LLC, seeking to vacate and re-subdivide certain blocks and lots in the real property described herein and other relief as set out in the Complaint.

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written Answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint to Clement Stephen Benvenuti, the attorney for the Plaintiff, whose physical address is 304 N. Second Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and mailing address is Post Office Box 2718 Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39521.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM AFTER JUNE 6, 2024, which is the date of the first publication of this Summons. If your response is not so mailed or delivered, a Judgment by Default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 3rd day of June, 2024.

TIFFANY COWMAN, CHANCERY CLERK HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

By: BRIDGET LADNER Deputy Clerk

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BEVERLY J. BINGHAM, DECEDENT

CIVIL ACTION NO.:24-cv-00204-JS

DONALD VINET PETITIONER

SUMMONS

The State of Mississippi

TO: DANA LYNN WOODS AND TO ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW OF BEVERLY J. BINGHAM, DECEDENT, WHOSE NAMES, POST OFFICE ADDRESSES AND/OR STREET ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN

You have been made Defendants in a suit filed in this Court by DONALD VINET, Petitioner, seeking to Appoint Administrator, Determination of Heirs of BEVERLY J. BINGHAM, Decedent.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9 a.m. on the 26th day of August, A.D. 2024, in the Chancery Courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse, located at 152 Main St., Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money and other things demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this the 5TH day of June, A.D., 2024.

CHANCERY CLERK HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

By: Cassie Tribble Deputy Clerk

Publish: 6/20/24, 6/27/24, 7/4/24, 7/11/24

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Bay St. Louis, MS, until 10:00 a.m., July 1, 2024 and shortly thereafter publicly opened for providing the following to Hancock County, for a period of six months beginning at bid acceptance until December 31, 2024 or until a new bid is accepted: Office Supplies & Janitorial Supplies, as well as, anything vendor feels the County may need throughout the year.

Bid specifications are available, upon request, from Brittny Johnson of the Hancock County Purchasing Department, 854 Hwy 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 by email Brittny.Johnson@co.hancock.ms.us or by calling 228-395-1506.

All envelopes must be marked on the outside of the envelope BID ENCLOSED and listing the bid item and bid opening date.

All envelopes must be date and time stamped and filed in the Hancock County Board of Supervisors Office, 854 Hwy 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 before 10:00 a.m. on the day of the bid opening.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 3rd day of June, 2024.

Scotty Adam, President Board of Supervisors Hancock County, Mississippi

By/Valerie Fitts, D.C. Publish Dates: JUNE 13, 2024 JUNE 20, 2024

TS #2024-08808-MS Substituted Trustee's Notice Of Sale Whereas, on 8/18/2021, Britany Fabre Breazeale, a married woman, executed a certain deed of trust to Donald G. Ogden, Trustee for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Beneficiary, as nominee for Freedom Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns, which Deed of Trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 2021, Page 28676; and Whereas, said Deed of Trust was transferred and assigned Freedom Mortgage Corporation and recorded 10/5/2023 in Book 2023, Page 21838; and Whereas, Freedom Mortgage Corporation has heretofore substituted Nestor Solutions, LLC, as Trustee by Instrument recorded on 4/25/2024 in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office as in Book 2024, Page 8692 and Whereas, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust, Freedom Mortgage Corporation, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. Now, Therefore, Nestor Solutions, LLC, Substituted Trustee in said Deed of Trust, will on 7/17/2024 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, located at the Front Door of the Hancock County Courthouse, 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the

map or plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. We Will Convey only such title as vested in us as Substituted Trustee. Witness My Signature on this 7th day of June, 2024. /s/ Sylvia Weiss, its Sr. Trustee Sale Officer Nestor Solutions, LLC, Substituted Trustee 214 5th Street, Suite 205 Huntington Beach, CA 92648 TS #2024-08808-MS Publication Dates: 6/20/2024 6/27/2024 7/4/2024 7/11/2024

Notice of Public Workshop

The City of Bay St. Louis will hold a public workshop on June 27, 2024 at 11:00am at the Council Chambers located at 598 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. The following items will be discussed: 1) Storm Water Management Program (SWMP), which is required by the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) as part of the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Program; 2) Community Rating System for FEMAs National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Contractors, developers and the general public are invited to attend to learn about these programs.

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated September 28, 2006, executed by DALE J MILLER and JENNIFER A. KIRKLAND conveying certain real property therein described to RECON TRUST COMPANY, N.A., as Trustee, for MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. AS BENEFICIARY, AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRY-WIDE HOME LOANS, INC., Original Beneficiary, to secure the indebtedness therein described, as same appears of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi filed and recorded October 4, 2006, in Deed Book 2006, Page 48464; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was transferred and assigned to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Owner Trustee of the Residential Credit Opportunities Trust VIII-C; and WHEREAS, Rubin Lublin, LLC has been appointed as Substitute Trustee; and NOW, THEREFORE, the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned to do so, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee shall, on July 18, 2024 within the lawful hours of sale between 11:00AM and 4:00PM at the front door of the Courthouse proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to wit:

LOT 5, PELICAN ISLE SUBDIVISION, AS PER THE OFFICIAL MAP OR PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 17139 FENTON DEDEAUX RD, KILN, MS 39556. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Rubin Lublin, LLC
3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100
Peachtree Corners, GA 30071
rslaw.com/property-listing
Tel: (877) 813-0992
Fax: (470) 508-9401

PUBLISH: 06/20/2024, 06/27/2024, 07/04/2024, 07/11/2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAWNA MEYN, DECEASED

CAUSE NO: 23CH1:24-cv-00259-CB

ANTHONY CALARCO, PETITIONER

EXECUTORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 28th day of May, 2024, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Dawna Meyn, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

THIS 6th day of June, 2024.

s/ANTHONY CALARCO

PUBLISH: June 6, 2024, June 13, 2024, and June 20, 2024

WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
DISASTER DEBRIS MONITORING SERVICES

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Purpose:
The City of Waveland (hereinafter referred to as the City or Waveland) is accepting sealed or electronic Request for Proposal (RFP) packages. The purpose of this RFP is to solicit responses from qualified firms to provide Disaster Debris Monitoring Services in support of the City's disaster recovery operations. Information is sought for Debris Monitoring Services of disaster-related debris, of every kind and nature from public rights of way within the City, City property, drainageways, waterways, (and/or private property if approved by the City, State, and or FEMA), as further described below and in the attachments. Private Right of Way Access or Right of Entry (ROE) may or may not be part of the projects. However, if the City, State, or FEMA authorizes the ROE, it may become part of specific projects. The objective of this RFP is to identify and contract for Disaster Debris Monitoring Services through an open advertised RFP process.
B.Request RFP Firms or companies desiring to provide such services as described in the Scope of Work, who shall submit proposals according to RFP Response Packaging Instructions. A copy of the RFP for Debris Monitoring can be obtained by emailing the City Clerk, see information below, or visiting the City's website, www.waveland-ms.gov
C. City Clerk Contact Information: Lisa Planchard, City Clerk City of Waveland 301 Coleman Avenue Waveland, MS 39576 Work phone: 228-467-4134 Email: lplanchard@waveland-ms.gov
D.Packages submitted in response to this Request for Proposal must be mailed to the above person/address, or delivered to and received by the City of Waveland at Waveland City Hall located at 301 Coleman Avenue, Waveland, MS. 39576 by or before 12 p.m. on July 17, 2024.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONNA MARIE LANNING-BOYD, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 2024-CV-161-CB

SUMMONS
[By Publication]

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: THE UNKNOWN STATUTORY, WRONGFUL DEATH BENEFICIARIES OF DONNA MARIE LANNING-BOYD, DECEASED

The statutory wrongful death beneficiaries of Donna Marie Lanning-Boyd, deceased, are Elmer E. Boyd, Jr. and Brittney M. Close, Respondents. You have been made a Respondent in the matter filed in this Court by Elmer E. Boyd, Jr., to determine the statutory wrongful death beneficiaries of Donna Marie Lanning-Boyd, deceased. Respondents other than you are unknown. You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Petition to Determine Statutory Wrongful Death Beneficiaries of Donna Marie Lanning-Boyd, deceased, to Bradley R. Boerner, Esq., whose address is Boerner Law Firm, P.C., P.O. Box 205, Brookhaven, MS 39602. Your response must be mailed or delivered within thirty (30) days from the date of the first publication of this Summons or a Judgment by Default will be entered against you for any relief demanded in the Petition. You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 6th day of June, 2024.

TIFFANY LEE COWMAN,
HANCOCK COUNTY
CHANCERY CLERK

BY: Ashley N. Holland
D.C.

Prepared by:
Bradley R. Boerner, Esq., MSB No. 100180
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Brookhaven, MS 39602
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Notice is hereby given that the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, Hancock County, Mississippi, will receive sealed proposals at the Board Office, 854 Highway 90, Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, until 10:00 a.m. (CST) on Monday, July

15, 2024, and then publicly read aloud for the following: EMERGENCY, DISASTER, OR PROVISIONAL DEBRIS REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES. All Proposals shall contain on their exterior envelope that they are for Emergency Disaster, or Provisional Debris Removal and Disposal Services. Proposals that do not include this statement on the bids exterior envelope will be considered unresponsive and disqualified from consideration. Proposal documents are being made available via digital or paper copy. All Prospective Contractors and Plan Holders may obtain the proposal documents at no charge by contacting Hancock County Board Assistant, Valerie Fitts, 854 Highway 90, Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520, Valerie.fitts@co.hancock.ms.us, or at 228-467-0172 during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m., Monday Friday). Proposal Documents will be available after 12:00 p.m. on Friday, June 14, 2024. Proposals may be submitted via sealed envelope or electronically at www.centralbidding.com until the time specified. Proposals received after the specified time will be returned unopened. Proposals submitted by sealed envelope must be addressed to Hancock County, County Administrator, 854 Highway 90, Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520 and designated as Proposal for: EMERGENCY, DISASTER, OR PROVISIONAL DEBRIS REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES. The current Certificate of Responsibility Number shall be indicated on the exterior of the sealed proposal envelope in order to be opened. All Proposals submitted for \$75,000 or less shall be so marked on the exterior of the sealed proposal envelope. Proposals sent through the U.S. Mail are done so at the risk of the Prospective Vendor/Contractor. The County is NOT responsible for proposals that arrive in the mail after the designated opening time. If the agency is closed for any reason, including but not limited to: acts of God, strikes, lockouts, riots, acts of war, epidemics, governmental regulations superimposed after the fact, fire, earthquakes, floods, or other natural disasters (the Force Majeure Events), which closure prevents the opening of proposals at the advertised date and time, all proposals received shall be publicly opened and read aloud on the next business day that the agency shall be open and at the previously advertised time. The new date and time of the proposal opening, as determined in accordance with this paragraph, may not be advertised, and all Vendors/Contractors, upon submission of a proposal, shall be deemed to have knowledge of and shall have agreed to the provisions of this paragraph. Proposals shall be received by the agency until the new date and time of the proposal opening as set forth herein. The agency shall not be held responsible for the receipt of any proposals for which the delivery was attempted and failed due to the closure of the agency as a result of a Force Majeure Event. Each Vendor/Contractor shall be required to ensure the delivery and receipt of its proposal by the agency prior to the new date and time of the proposal opening. The Owner expressly reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals or any part of any or all proposals based on a lowest and best proposal determination. If the proposal documents request separate proposals on phases or items of a project, the Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals or any part of any or all proposals based on a lowest and best proposal determination on each phase or item for which a separate proposal is requested. The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities. The Hancock County Board of Supervisors will neither pay for any information herein requested nor be responsible for any costs incurred by the proposer. All proposals shall become the property of Hancock County Board of Supervisors upon submission. The Hancock County Board of Supervisors reserve the right to negotiate final price subsequent to the submission of proposals from the selected qualified proposers. Proposals may be held for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the opening of proposals for the purpose of reviewing the proposals and investigating the qualifications of Contractors, prior to awarding of the Contract. By Order of the Board of Supervisors, this the 20th day of May, 2024.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
PROFESSIONAL FEDERAL
GRANT ADMINISTRATIVE
SERVICES

The City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi is requesting proposals for Grant Administrative services to assist in a proposed project to be financed in whole through the Flood Mitigation Assistance Swift Current (Swift Current), which provides funding to mitigate buildings insured through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) after a major disaster declaration following a flood-related disaster event to reduce risk against future flood damage. This project may include property acquisition and structure demolition/relocation; structure elevations; dry flood proofing of historic residential structures or non-residential structures; non-structural retrofitting of existing structures and facilities; mitigation reconstruction; and structure retrofitting of existing structures. Administrative services shall include, but are not limited

to, the implementation of the project in conformance with Federal compliance areas, including, but not limited to: environmental review (if applicable), financial management, procurement, contract management, labor standards, equal opportunity/civil rights, citizen participation, acquisition/relocation, and close-out. Information provided to the City of Bay St. Louis shall include:

- 1) The specialized experience and technical competence of the firm with respect to administration and related work on projects funded with Flood Mitigation Assistance Swift Current and other federally funded projects (0-50 points);
- 2) The past record of performance of the firm with respect to such factors as accessibility to clients, quality of work, and ability to meet schedules (0-20 points);
- 3) Capability of carrying out all aspects of grant related activities (0-20 points);
- 4) Cost of services (0-5 points);
- 5) References from previous clients of related work with the firm within the past five years (0-5 points); and,

Documentation of compliance with E-Verify requirements must be submitted with proposal. Minority and women business enterprises are solicited to submit a bid on this contract. Submittals sent through the U.S. Mail are done so at the risk of the prospective vendor and should be addressed to the City of Bay St. Louis, in care of the City Clerks Office, 688 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520. The city is NOT responsible for submittals that arrive in the mail after the designated opening time. Submittals may also be delivered in person to the City Clerks Office. All submittals must be on file with the City Clerk no later than 10:00am on July 12, 2024. All submittals must be sealed and clearly marked on the outside of the envelope as RFP FOR GRANT ADMINISTRATOR. Responses submitted by Express/Overnight services must be in a separate inner envelope/package sealed and identified as stated in the previous sentence. Envelopes not so marked are submitted at the risk of the prospective submitter, and the city assumes no responsibility for the premature opening of same by any city employee. The City Clerk or Authorized Representative will meet at the City Hall Conference Room at 10:00am on July 12, 2024 and will then and there open, read aloud the proposals. The administration will then take the proposals for review and consideration to make a final recommendation to the city council at the meeting on July 16, 2024. The governing body reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive informalities. For more information, please contact Mike Reso, City Clerk for the City of Bay St. Louis, MS at 228-466-5457 or mre-so@baystlouis-ms.gov.

Publish Dates: Thursday, June 13, 2024 and Thursday, June 20, 2024.

FY 25 IDEA Budget Review
The Hancock County School District, Office of Exceptional Children invites you to attend our annual meeting on June 26, 2024 from 9:00 am-2:00 pm to discuss the expenditure of federal funds for students qualifying for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This meeting will be held at the Office of Exceptional Children 7180 Stennis Airport Road, Building E Kiln, MS 39556. If you are interested in making an appointment to view the budget and meet with Mrs. Breland or Mr. Stiger, please call 228-466-6340.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
YOUTH COURT DIVISION

HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES, BY ANDREA A. SANDERS, AND GABRIELLA EMIYAH-MARIE SALEM, LEGEND JOSEPH-CHRISTOPH SALEM AND NEVAEH LEGACEE-ELIZABET SALEM, MINORS, BY AND THROUGH THEIR NEXT FRIEND, ANDREA A. SANDERS PETITIONERS

VS. CIVIL ACTION NO. CC24-007-T
MERI E. KELLY, JOSEPH M. SALEM AND UNKNOWN PUTATIVE FATHER RESPONDENTS
COUNTY COURT SUMMONS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Unknown Putative Father, who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose last post office address is unknown after diligent search and inquiry by the Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Hancock County Department of Child Protection Services by Andrea A. Sanders, Commissioner of the Department of MDCPS, and Gabriella Emiyah-Marie Salem, Legend Joseph-Christoph Salem, and Nevaeh Legacee-Elizabeth Salem, minors, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minors and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minors be placed with the Hancock County Department of Child Protection Services.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:00 a.m ON THE 19TH DAY OF JULY, 2024 IN THE COURTROOM OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT 152 MAIN STREET, BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION; INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 4 day of June, 2024.

KENDRA NECAISE, CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI
39520

BY: V. LADNER D.C.
Deputy Clerk
Lanie Roussel, MSB#105488
Office of the Attorney General
1141 Bayview Ave., Suite 402
Biloxi, MS 39530
Email: Lanie.Roussel@ago.ms.gov

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Notice is hereby given that the Hancock County Water & Sewer District (HCWSD) will host a public hearing to be held at the Lakeshore Community Center, located at 6440 Lower Bay Road, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, on July 25, 2024 at 5:00pm. The HCWSD has prepared a facilities plan for the proposed improvements to the water supply system. The project includes the installation of waterline, fire hydrants and water service on unserved roads within Bayside Park. Project construction is anticipated to start in the year 2025 and is estimated to cost approximately \$4,986,117. The HCWSD is applying for a loan from the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund Program to complete the project. The purpose of the public hearing is to present the facilities plan, receive further suggestions, comments, and answer questions. The HCWSD will begin a 30-day public comment period on June 20, 2024. The comment period will allow citizens to review the facilities plan and offer additional comments. A copy of the facilities plan will be available for review at the HCWSD Office, 7040 Stennis Airport Road, Kiln, MS 39556. Written comments, suggestions, and questions may be submitted to Christina Shurley at christina@chiniche.com or by phone at (228) 467-6755.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF JERRY ARNOLD LACY, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:24-cv-291-CB

EXECUTRIXS NOTICE TO
CREDITORS OF JERRY ARNOLD LACY

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 28th day of May, 2024, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Jerry Arnold Lacy, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registered according to law within 90 days from first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This 28th day of May, A.D., 2024.

s/LOIS JACQUELYN MYERS
LACY, EXECUTRIX

Caroline E. Haas
Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
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MS Bar No. 104525

Publish: 6/6/2024; 6/13/2024;
6/20/2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN ROBERT EMRY, DECEASED, CAUSE NO. 23CH1:24-cv-251-CB, SUMMONS TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF JOHN ROBERT EMRY, DECEASED, AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING ANY INTEREST TO THE ESTATE OF JOHN ROBERT EMRY, WHOSE NAMES, POST OFFICE BOXES AND ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN AFTER A DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY.

You have been made a Defendant in a petition/suit filed in this Court by Jane Ann Aguda, Administrator, seeking to establish the heirs at law of JOHN ROBERT EMRY, Deceased. You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on the 23rd day of July, 2024, in the Chancery Courtroom of Hancock County, 152 Main St., Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief or other things demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Is-

sued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 3rd day of June, 2024. Hon. Tiffany Cowman, Chancery Clerk Hancock County, By: Cassie Tribble
Eugene J. Hoffman, IV
MS Bar #104994
311 E. Second Street
Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571
228-323-3330 Tel.
Dates of Publication: 1) 06/13/2024; 2) 06/20/2024; 3) 06/27/2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Notice is hereby given that the Kiln Utility & Fire District (KUFD) will host a public hearing to be held at the KUFD Office, located at 16154 Fire Department Road, Kiln, MS 39556, on July 24, 2024 at 5:00pm. The KUFD has prepared a facilities plan for the proposed improvements to the water supply system. The project includes the replacement of existing waterlines on Firetower Road (between Highway 43 and Highway 603) and Roosevelt Necaise Road. Project construction is anticipated to start in the year 2025 and is estimated to cost approximately \$1,458,000. The KUFD is applying for a loan from the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund Program to complete the project. The purpose of the public hearing is to present the facilities plan, receive further suggestions, comments, and answer questions. The KUFD will begin a 30-day public comment period on June 20, 2024. The comment period will allow citizens to review the facilities plan and offer additional comments. A copy of the facilities plan will be available for review at the KUFD Office, 16154 Fire Department Road, Kiln, MS 39556. Written comments, suggestions, and questions may be submitted to Rachel Patton at Rachel.Patton@kilnutility.com or by phone at (228) 255-2595.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL C. HACKETT, SR., DECEASED

CAUSE NO. 23-520-CB

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF
HEARING

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF MICHAEL C. HACKETT, SR., Deceased, all of whose names, post office addresses, street addresses, and places of residence are unknown after diligent search and inquiry You have been made a Defendant named in the MOTION TO DETERMINE HEIRS, filed in this Court for determination of heirs of of MICHAEL C. HACKETT, SR., seeking to have MICHAEL C. HACKETT, JR., ANDREW HACKETT, and SCOTT HACKETT declared to be the heirs-at-law of MICHAEL C. HACKETT, SR., Deceased, who died on or about August 18, 2023, a resident of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and for other relief requested in the Motion. Defendants other than you in this action are any unknown heirs-at-law or next of kin of the Decedent NOTICE TO DEFENDANT OF HEARING You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action in the Harrison County Courthouse located at Gulfport, Mississippi, at 9:00 A.M., on the 13th day of August, 2024, before the Honorable Carter Bise, Chancellor, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THIS COURT, this the ____ day of June, 2024.

TIFFANY COWMAN,
CHANCERY CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
152 MAIN STREET, STE. A
BAY ST. LOUIS MS 39520
BY: D.C.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MILDRED ANN LUCCO, DECEASED
CAUSE NO: 23CH1:21-cv-0061-CB

SUMMONS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: HEIRS AT LAW OF MILDRED ANN LUCCO, DECEASED

You have been made a Defendant in this suit filed in this Court by Jeannie Wahl, Administrator of the Estate of MILDRED ANN LUCCO, deceased, seeking judicial declaration of the heirs at law of Mildred Ann Lucco, deceased. The Defendant other than you in this action is Kendrick James Ladner, who along with Jeannie Wahl have alleged to be the sole heirs of the decedent.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on July ____, 2024 in the Chancery Courtroom at the Hancock County Courthouse, 152 Main Street,

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleadings but you may do so if you so desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of office, this the ____ day of May, 2024.

Tiffany Lee Cowman
Chancery Clerk
By: Deputy Clerk
152 Main Street, Ste. A
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-5406

Michael D. Haas, Jr.
Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
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MS Bar No. 5091

Publish Dates: 6/6/2024;
6/13/2024; 6/20/2024:

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MILDRED ANN LUCCO, DECEASED ??
CAUSE NO: 23CH1:24-cv-0061-CB

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

TO: ANY OR ALL WRONGFUL DEATH BENEFICIARIES OF MILDRED ANN LUCCO, DECEASED

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT

THE COMPLAINT WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Petition by Jeannie Wahl, Administratrix, seeking judicial declaration of the wrongful death beneficiaries of MILDRED ANN LUCCO, deceased and for approval of a contract employing attorneys to represent the estate in the wrongful death action.

Your response must be mailed or delivered within thirty (30) days from the date of the first publication of this Summons or a Judgment by default will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in this Petition.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of office, this the 30th day of May, 2024.
(SEAL)
Tiffany Lee Cowman
Chancery Clerk
BY: Deputy Clerk
152 Main Street
Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-5406

Publish Dates: 6/6/2024;
6/13/2024; 6/20/2024

SECTION 00090
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

NORTH BEACH BOULEVARD
BOX CULVERT REPLACEMENT
HANCOCK COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Electronic or sealed Bids for construction of North Beach Boulevard Box Culvert Replacement will be received by the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, located at 854 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, 39520, until 10:00 A.M. Local Time, August 5, 2024, then bids will be publicly opened and read. Any bids received after the time and date specified will not be considered and will be returned.

All bids must be addressed to the HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS of Hancock County, Mississippi; marked SEALED BID TO OPENED AT 10:00 A.M., August 5, 2024, and specify the name of the bid project. If bid is submitted by mail, the address of the Hancock County Board of Supervisors is 854 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. If bid is hand-delivered, the street address of the Hancock County Board of Supervisors is 854 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

When bids are submitted electronically, the same requirements for submitting sealed bids shall apply. Electronic bids shall be submitted online at www.neel-schafferplans.com and shall include a document on the first page stating the same language required on the face of the sealed envelope.

Bidder must be qualified under Mississippi Law and show current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Contractors submitting a written sealed bid must write their current Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing their Bid as well as on their Bid. If the Bid is being submitted electronically through the Online Plan Room, the Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number must be included on the cover page and profile of the electronic bid submittal.

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JUNE 21

• The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre presents the final performance of the season “A Man for all Seasons” by Robert Bolt. This is the first time the show has been presented in any of the coastal theaters. This show won the Tony award for Best Play and the Oscar award for Best Picture. The story is the real life depiction of Sir Thomas More and his conflict with King Henry VIII. Because of his courage and steadfast convictions, he was beheaded and later canonized as a saint. Fast paced, period costumes. Show dates are June 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, and 30. Call 228-467-9024 or go to www.bsllt.com for details and reservations.

JUNE 24

• St. Stanislaus is hosting a baseball hitting camp for boys and girls aged 8 to 14. Coaches will provide personalized training to help campers master the art of hitting. The camp will be led by varsity baseball coach Brad Corley and his team. It will take place on Monday, June 24 and Tuesday, June 25 from 9 a.m. to noon. To learn more or to register, visit ststan.com/athletics/rock-camp/

• ArtVentures 2024 is The Arts, Hancock County summer arts camp. This year kids will enjoy hands-on fun with new projects in a variety of arts. Watercolor, 3D drawing, mixed media, theater, printmaking, collage, and 3D sculptures are just some of the areas campers will get to explore this summer. There are camps for ages 6-8 and 9-12. There is limited space in each camp and age ranges will be strictly observed. This allows us to design a curriculum best suited to specific ages and give each camper the time and attention they deserve. Camp tuition is \$220 per camper, all supplies included. Dates are June 24-27 and July 15-18. Ages 6-8 meet 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Ages 9-12 meet 1 to 4:15 p.m. For more information, visit www.hancockarts.org or call 228-342-4521.

JUNE 26

• St. Stanislaus is hosting a soccer camp for boys and girls aged 6 to 13. The instructional program will focus on developing technical and tactical skills and

will challenge players of all skill levels. The camp will be conducted by varsity soccer coach Zach Villarrubia and his staff. The camp will run from Wednesday, June 26 to Friday, June 28 from 9 a.m. to noon. To learn more and to register visit, ststan.com/athletics/rock-camp.

JUNE 28

• St. Rose de Lima Blues and BBQ Multicultural festival. Music, food, fun and fun. The festival kicks off at 6 p.m. on June 28 at the Bay St. Louis Train Depot with Erubial Sandoval and his own Mariachi sound. The festival opens on Saturday, June 29 at 11 a.m. with the St. Rose choirs, men’s ensemble followed by the gospel choir. The BBQ and Blues Fest will continue all day, including BBQ ribs, chicken, pulled pork, baked beans, coleslaw, fried MS catfish, shrimp, chicken wings and fries, and hamburgers and hot dogs, and a variety of treats from the Sweets Parlor. The entertainment continues with Assumed Risk at 2 p.m.; the BSL Trio at 4:30 p.m.; and Starz Band from 7 to 9 p.m. Activities for kids include Griffin Ranch Llama and Alpacas at 11 a.m., a photo booth, and other games. The big raffle will be a 50/50 and tickets are on sale now.

JUNE 29

• St. Stanislaus is hosting a basketball shooting camp for boys and girls aged 12 to 18. The camp will take place on Saturday, June 29 from 9 a.m. to noon. The specialized camp offers targeted instruction, cutting-edge techniques, and personalized feedback to refine shooting skills to perfection. The camps will be led by varsity basketball coach Daniel Grieves and staff. To register or find out more information, visit ststan.com/athletics/rock-camp/

JULY 6

• American Legion Post 77 is hosting a flag retirement ceremony at 7:30 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial on the beach and Coleman Avenue. For more information, contact Charles Armstrong at 228-671-0703.

• The Arts, Hancock County presents Sail Away Painting with Samantha Hallenus

from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Looking for a fun, easy way to create art in and of the Bay. Sail Away Painting is it. You’ll get to paint with acrylics on a 9 x 12 inch canvas to produce work inspired by sailboats. Get the details and register today at www.hancockarts.org. Materials provided by the instructor include: Water cups, paper towels, brushes, paint, canvases, rulers, pencils, and some easels. Materials each student should bring: Apron or old T-shirt to cover their garments.

JULY 13

• Hancock Arts presents The Painted Canvas — “River Symphony” with Carisa Mitchell from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Member fee is \$93, not-yet member fee is \$103, materials fee is \$40. Get started with the basics of oil painting from materials to application, to color concepts. Through lecture, demonstration and example, Carisa will walk participants through the steps and thinking involved in working with oils. For more information visit, www.hancockarts.org.

JULY 15

• St. Stanislaus will be hosting a football camp for boys and girls aged 8 to 14. The camp will focus on teaching basic offensive and defensive skills. It will be held from Monday, July 15 to Thursday, July 18 from 9 a.m. to noon. The camp will be conducted by varsity football coach, Tate Thigpen, and his staff. For more information and to register, visit www.ststan.com/football-camp-july-2024/

JULY 18

• Gospel music and BBQ fundraiser for Magdalene House — Christian Women’s Job Corp. Music, BBQ dinner, and silent auction to be held on Thursday, July 18 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis Community Hall, located at 301 Blaize Ave., Bay St. Louis. Tickets: \$25 for adults, \$15 for children (ages 2-12). For ticket purchases, call 228-493-0504 or 228-324-6687. For more information about this 501c3 ministry, visit www.womenscommunitysupport.org.

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2023 Drinking Water Quality Report City of Waveland PWS 0230002

Is my water safe?

We are pleased to present this year's Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) as required by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). This report is designed to provide details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. This report is a snapshot of last year's water quality. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.

Do I need to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline (800-426-4791).

Where does my water come from?

Our water source is from wells drawing from the Graham Ferry Formation Aquifer.

Source water assessment and its availability

The source water assessment ranks our water supply as moderate for susceptibility to contamination. This report is available in the office.

Why are there contaminants in my drinking water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity: microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses; organic Chemical Contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems; and radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

How can I get involved?

If you have any questions concerning your drinking water, please contact Bo Humphrey - 228-467-4134

Description of Water Treatment Process

Your water is treated by disinfection. Disinfection involves the addition of chlorine or other disinfectant to kill dangerous bacteria and microorganisms that may be in the water. Disinfection is considered to be one of the major public health advances of the 20th century.

Results of voluntary monitoring

To comply with the "Regulation Governing Fluoridation of Community Water Supplies", is required to report certain results pertaining to fluoridation of our water system. The number of months in the previous calendar year in which average fluoride sample results were within the optimal range of 0.6 – 1.2 parts per million (ppm) was 0. The percentage of fluoride samples collected in the previous calendar year that was within the optimal range of 0.6 - 1.2 ppm was 0%. The number of months samples were collected and analyzed in the previous calendar year was 0. This system adds fluoride to your drinking water to help prevent and reduce cavities and improve overall oral health. Supply-chain issues have limited or prevented this water system's ability to obtain fluoride on a regular basis. The data presented above only reflects the months when this water system added fluoride to your drinking water.

Additional Information for Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. City of Waveland is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Water Quality Data Table

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report. Although many more contaminants were tested, only those substances listed below were found in your water. All sources of drinking water contain some naturally occurring contaminants. At low levels, these substances are generally not harmful in our drinking water. Removing all contaminants would be extremely expensive, and in most cases, would not provide increased protection of public health. A few naturally occurring minerals may actually improve the taste of drinking water and have nutritional value at low levels. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. As such, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one year old. In this table you will find terms and abbreviations that might not be familiar to you. To help you better understand these terms, we have provided the definitions below the table.

Contaminants	MCLG or MRDLG	MCL, TT, or MRDL	Detect In Your Water	Range		Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source
				Low	High			
Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products								
(There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants)								
Chlorine (as Cl2) (ppm)	4	4	1	.6	1.5	2023	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	NA	60	17	NA	NA	2023	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
THMs [Total Trihalomethanes] (ppb)	NA	80	38.2	NA	NA	2023	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Inorganic Contaminants								
Barium (ppm)	2	2	.0117	.0075	.0117	2022	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Chromium (ppb)	100	100	.7	.5	.7	2022	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	.793	.253	.793	2022	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Sodium (optional) (ppm)	NA		130	68.3	130	2021	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching
Contaminants	MCLG	AL	Your Water	Sample Date	# Samples Exceeding AL	Exceeds AL	Typical Source	
Inorganic Contaminants								
Copper - action level at consumer taps (ppm)	1.3	1.3	.1	2021	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits	
Lead - action level at consumer taps (ppb)	0	15	4	2021	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits	

Additional Contaminants

In an effort to insure the safest water possible the State has required us to monitor some contaminants not required by Federal regulations. Of those contaminants only the ones listed below were found in your water.

Contaminants	State MCL	Your Water	Violation	Explanation and Comment
SODIUM	250000 PPB	130000 PPB	No	LIKELY SOURCE OF CONTAMINATION: erosion of natural deposits

Unit Descriptions	
Term	Definition
ppm	ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)
ppb	ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)
NA	NA: not applicable
ND	ND: Not detected
NR	NR: Monitoring not required, but recommended.

Important Drinking Water Definitions	
Term	Definition
MCLG	MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MCL	MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
TT	TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
AL	AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Variances and Exemptions	Variances and Exemptions: State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.
MRDLG	MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfection level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
MRDL	MRDL: Maximum residual disinfectant level. The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MNR	MNR: Monitored Not Regulated
MPL	MPL: State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level

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LIBRARY

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tunity to discuss whatever they wanted regarding the library system and the Hancock County community. Some of these meetings lasted an hour, while others extended for several hours. As someone not originally from the south, these discussions were particularly eye-opening. They were crucial for me to understand the current climate of both the library system and the county. A common theme that emerged from my meetings with all 32 staff members was that Hancock County is filled with passionate people and is a great community with individuals eager to help.”

Through the interviews, Brdecka said, he also identified areas that needed attention.

“The library system had an expired strategic plan and lack of direction,” he said. “For someone that isn’t originally from the area, there isn’t a better way to dive deep into the community’s needs than by developing a new strategic plan and I was excited about this opportunity. The overwhelming number of staff felt unsupported on many levels of our community. They had not received raises in quite some time and the average wage fell way behind the standard of living wage for a single individual, according to MIT’s living wage calculator.”

Brdecka said the previous process of submitting requests to the library foundation was “inefficient and cumbersome.”

“As many of you all know, there was tension surrounding the library system seven to eight years ago regarding funding,” he said. “Additionally, the branch in Diamondhead was a source of anxiety for many staff members as the library system expanded from a four-branch system to a five-branch system without an increase in operational funding, yet our expenditures have increased over time. Furthermore, the system did not conduct a thorough hours analysis and assessment to determine how a five branch system would operate in terms of operating hours with the available funding. It’s important to note that our branch in Pearlinton is more than just a library, it serves as the heartbeat of the community, functioning more as a community center than merely a branch of our library system.”

Brdecka said the top two issues that emerged from conversations with employees were low pay and lack of community awareness about library resources.

“It was clear to me that my top three priorities — in no particular order — would be first to develop a strategic plan,” Brdecka said. “The second is to strengthen the relationship with the library foundation. I prioritized to getting to know the library foundation board, understanding its history, mission, and vision. This knowledge enabled me to propose a more cohesive and sustainable relationship between the library and the foundation. I’ve since built trust with the foundation’s board members

and revamped the funding process to be more efficient. The foundation consists of passionate community leaders who are eager to advance the library system’s mission and vision. However, it’s important to recognize the limitations of the library foundation in our funding. The foundation can only support specific categories such as collections and programming, public technology, marketing and professional development. It cannot cover operational costs or salaries making it crucial to secure sustainable funding for our staffing needs. The last is to advocate for staff salary and wage increases. If possible, I aim to secure funding to provide cost-of-living adjustments for our passionate and dedicated staff. We enlisted Ivy Group to aid in crafting our current strategic plan for 2023 to 2027, which is available for reference on our website.”

Brdecka said three “significant” initiatives emerged from the current strategic plan: Expanding HCLS’ annual card campaign; implementing a fine-free policy to reduce stress and increase library use; and launching a mobile library service.

“We have successfully accomplished two of these three in the first year of implementation,” Brdecka said. “While the library foundation is committed to supporting a mobile library, it cannot allocate funds for salaries and wages. Therefore, we seek the commitment of the board of supervisors to fulfill our final initiative supporting a mobile library service that meets our community where they are. We have embarked on a fresh strategic plan aimed at local needs and innovative library service enhancements. To ensure inclusivity and forward momentum, we actively involve the community spanning from individual residents and staff members to influential figures and decision makers. The resulting plan not only addresses community needs, but also ignites a spirit of excellence. In order to foster unity, participants from diverse backgrounds were invited to share their perspectives on relevant topics. Community leaders, stakeholders, and staff identified factors such as growth, low wages, and brain drain as stressors impacting residents. While acknowledging the invaluable support provided by our library system, they noted a widespread lack of awareness regarding the full scope of our services. The concept of mobile library services including a book mobile emerged frequently as a means to enhance accessibility. Residents expressed high satisfaction with customer service at HCLS, but indicated a desire for expanding offerings for both children and adults as well as a delivery service for homebound individuals. Additionally, open-ended responses revealed a general unawareness of the breadth of HCLS offerings.”

Brdecka said the Library Foundation allocates funding across five categories: Collections, programming, public technology, marketing and outreach, and professional development.

“I’m pleased to report that in FY ’23, the Library Foundation generously provided \$307,000 to the library followed by \$303,000 in FY ’24, augmenting our resources and enabling a margin of excellence in our services and offerings,” Brdecka said. “This strengthened partnership has not only facilitated smoother operations, but also enhanced our capacity to serve the community effectively.”

Brdecka said it is “imperative” to address supporting HCLS’ staff, “who are exhibiting signs of burnout and experiencing a drain on their skills and expertise.”

“It’s evident that sustainable solutions are required to ensure the wellbeing of our team and continued provisions of quality service to our community,” Brdecka said.

He said that HCLS also revamped the website as a “primary hub for information on our branches and community events.” The digital collections have also been expanded and also digitizing resources such as the Sea Coast Echo, “setting a precedent as the sole library system in the state to initiate website archiving for local non-profits, municipalities and churches.”

Brdecka said HCLS also implemented a calendar and is building a “robust” email list to reach out to the community. HCLS also has a dedicated social media team.

“These initiatives underscore our commitment to leveraging technology and strategic outreach to better serve our community and promote lifelong learning,” Brdecka said. “As we continue to implement our strategic plan, we aim to build on these successes and further enhance our impact in Hancock County.”

In collaboration with the Hancock Chamber of Commerce, Brdecka said, they hosted various events such as Coffee Call Power Hours and Business After Hours with all branch managers serving as ambassadors to the Chamber recognizing the importance of economic development, ensuring representation in the annual leadership program.

Brdecka said HCLS — through the support of the Library Foundation — also participates in cook-offs, food drives, and community baby showers, and the development of a community garden at the Pearlinton branch.

HCLS has also established five Little Free Libraries throughout the county. The library also hosts several events including the annual Holiday Tree gala, Fan Fest, and the summer reading program, to name a few.

Library staff are also active in community organizations such as Gulf-side Assembly, MS State Extension Services 4H group, CASA, and participating in Waveland Helping Hands Organization’s annual Juneteenth event.

“Though these events, we strive to enrich the lives of Hancock County residents and foster a culture of learning and community involvement,” Brdecka said. “Indeed, a 21st century library represents a dynamic shift from the traditional perceptions of

libraries as quiet sanctuaries solely dedicated to books. Instead, it serves as a vibrant hub for lifelong learning catering to diverse learning styles beyond just reading and writing. Our modern library embraces a multi-faceted approach to learning offering programs, services, meeting spaces for community groups, and materials tailored to visual, auditory and kinesthetic learners alike. In line with this vision, we provide a array of resources that transcend traditional boundaries from Wi-Fi hotspots and metal detectors to microscopes available for check out, our library offers a wide spectrum of tools to facilitate exploration and discovery. Our Wi-Fi network extends beyond our physical walls ensuring connectivity beyond the confines of our premises. High-end software, document stations for scanning, faxing, and E-mailing, as well as poster size printing capabilities further enhance accessibility and convenience.”

Brdecka said the library stands as a “modern center of learning and innovation and embracing the diverse needs and interests of our community while striving to empower individual of all ages and backgrounds on their lifelong learning journey.”

The library has also established a Spanish language collection.

“Our commitment to inclusivity extends to the installation of multi-touch play tables for early development and large screen monitors to accommodate individuals with diverse needs including those with visual impairments,” he said. “Recognizing the critical role of technology in today’s society, particular for individuals relying on government benefits, we’ve ensured access to the Internet and electronic resources at our branches. For many in our community who lack stable transportation or Internet access at home, the library serves as a vital resources for accessing essential services and filling out electronic forms provided by the government.”

Brdecka said the “expectations placed on our library staff are significant with patrons relying on their expertise across a wide array of resources, programs, and technologies from assisting with VA forms to providing guidance on electronic devices, our staff members are dedicated, providing support with a smile.”

“As we continue to evolve and expand our services, it’s essential to recognize the need for adequate time and resources for staff training and preparation, balancing the demands of serving the public with the need of ongoing learning and development is crucial to maintaining the high level of service our community expects,” he said. “Staff must stay up to date on new software and quickly changing technologies, know our website, search digital archives, operate our digital calendar, schedule community meetings, conduct outreach efforts,

volunteer for fundraisers, plan for and host large scale library events, establish partnerships with local businesses, complete Webinars, routine training, professional development, performance reviews, travel to conferences, join leadership organizations, create displays, know books, book genres, book trends, shelf books, suggest books, read books, assist with computer use, field phone calls, manage money, report detailed statistics, develop and executive a full calendar of programs for children, teens and adults every month, and monitor our library facilities, all while delivering excellent customer service to our communities in Hancock County.”

Brdecka said that ensuring staff are fairly compensated in line with industry standards is “paramount to getting top talent and sustaining the success of our library system.”

“Failure to address this issue may compromise our ability to attract and retain skilled staff members, ultimately impacting the quality of service we provide to our patrons,” he said. “To uphold the value and impact of our library system and serving our community, it’s imperative that we prioritize the well being and professional development of our staff. By investing in our team, we can continue to meet the needs of our patrons effectively and maintain our position as a vital resource within the community. The library is seeking an increase in its revenue from the county from \$1.204 million — which has been the same since FY ’17 — to \$1.442 million, representing a crucial \$238,000 increase. This additional funding is essential for two reasons; the first, \$191,000 will be dedicated to salary adjustments, including payroll liabilities, taxes and benefits for our current staff. It’s imperative that we bring our staff pay up to market rates to attract and retain top talent, ensuring that we can continue to provide high quality service to the community. Lastly, the remaining \$47,000 will be allocated towards funding the mobile library and outreach coordinator role. This position is instrumental in expanding our services and reaching underserved communities ensuring that all residents have access to the resources and support they need. It is my sincere hope that moving forward, consideration will be given to library employees when county employees receive raises or cost of living adjustments. Each member of our team plays a vital role in serving every individual in our county and it’s essential that their contributions are recognized and valued accordingly.”

Brdecka said he also plans to request an increase in funding from Bay St. Louis, Waveland, and Diamondhead.

In other action: Lucien Bourgeois with Crews and Associates, based in Little Rock, AR, who works

in Mississippi, said his company has been working with several counties throughout the state utilizing use tax in order to make road and bridge improvements.

“We’ve probably done ten counties in different areas across South Mississippi, North Mississippi,” he said. “Locally, we did one of these in the city of Bay St. Louis and the city of Diamondhead to use the use tax for road improvements.”

As of the last year, Bourgeois said, the county gets about \$1.5 million a year in use tax.

“What we’ve done is just forecasted, if you decide to do something like this, is only using 80 percent of that money to do a bond issue which your legislators authorize you to do,” he said. “If you do a ten year bond issue, it’s little less \$9 million, you would receive and if you up to 15 years, you get \$12 million.”

The board took no official action on the presentation.

Waveland Mayor Jay Trapani announced at the meeting that the developers a new hotel are closing on the property on June 20.

“It’s exciting, we’ve scheduled a groundbreaking for the morning of July 9 at 10:30 a.m. on the site,” Trapani said. “It’s just an exciting, exciting project for all of Hancock County.”

Waveland Hospitality LLC, the development group behind the hotel projects, plans to invest a minimum of \$16 million and construct a dual brand concept featuring the Fairfield and Towne-Place Suites brands. Located near the intersection of Highway 90 and Old Spanish Trail, this marks the first hotel development in Waveland in over two decades.

The board approved a motion to terminate the agreement with BugPro Pest Control Services. A second approved motion authorized county personnel to negotiate a contract with Redd Pest Control.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 1 at 9 a.m.

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- SHUCKERS BLOW OUT SMOKIES 10-2 -

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The Biloxi Shuckers transformed into the Biloxi King Cakes on Saturday, June 15, to celebrate 100 years of Mardi Gras tradition on the Mississippi Gulf Coast at Keesler Federal Park. The Shuckers (25-36) blew out the Tennessee Smokies 10-2 in Logan Henderson’s Double-A debut for Biloxi as he struck out 10 for the win. Henderson is the Milwaukee Brewers’ 16th ranked prospect. The Shuckers scored 10 runs and pounded out 11 hits along the way. Biloxi got on the board early and often and were started when Mike Boeve smacked a solo homerun in the first inning to give Biloxi a 1-0 lead. He added his second RBI of the game in the second inning when he drew a bases loaded walk and Lamar Sparks

scored on a balk to make the score 3-0. In the third inning, Biloxi’s Adam Hall drove in two runs on a single to make the score 5-0. Henderson retired the first 10 batters he faced including six consecutive batters with strikeouts between the second and fourth innings. In the sixth inning, Boeve drove in his third RBI of the game with another single. Boeve was 3-for-5 while Sparks was 2-for-3 and Carlos Rodriguez was 3-for-4 for Biloxi in the game. The game on Sunday was canceled due to inclement weather. The Shuckers return to Keesler Federal Park on Tuesday, June 25, with a series against the Pensacola Blue Wahoos.

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PHOTO COURTESY OF BILOXI SHUCKERS BASEBALL
Logan Henderson of Biloxi in the wind up against the Tennessee Smokies on Saturday, June 15. Henderson struck out 10 batters in his Double-A debut as the Shuckers won 10-2.

DISTRICT 8 ALL-STARS

KNIGHT, BILICH, HOWARD, AND CORR PLAY IN STATE GAMES

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

Several local baseball players and a local coach lead District 8 at the State Games of Mississippi last week. Bay High head coach BJ Corr served as head coach of the squad while Bay High’s Brennan Bilich and Hancock’s Jaxon Knight and Ayden Howard were selected for the team. Last Tuesday, District 8 fell against District 11-9. In the game, Knight was 1-for-1 with 2 RBi and one run scored. Bilich threw 1.2 innings and surrendered no runs, no hits, and fanned three batters. Howard threw one inning and collected two strikeouts. On Wednesday, District 8 stumbled against District 6-4. In the game, Knight was 1-for-2 with a run scored and Howard threw 2 innings with 4 strikeouts and one

earned run. On Thursday, District 8 dropped their game 9-4 to District 2. In the game, Bilich threw one inning and had one strikeout and allowed no runs while Knight was 1-for-2 with 2 RBi. Corr commented, “It was an honor and great privilege to get to coach the State Games Team this year for District 8. It was a cool opportunity to be around some of the best players in our region and watch how they go about their business day to day. I’m so happy for our three local guys. Brennan Bilich looked awesome on the mound. He was 85-86 all week. Everything that I’ve noticed in him since I got to the Bay three years ago and then for him to get to showcase that in front of so many college scouts was exciting for him. I’m so proud of his development as a person and a player. Jax-

son Knight of Hancock can absolutely hit and is a very special young man. He went about his business everyday like a pro and was one of if not our best hitters all week. Ayden Howard has electric stuff on the mound! He’s gonna give a lot of teams fits next year and he has huge upside as well to develop. I loved his energy and competitive nature and wish all these guys nothing but the best of luck in the future. I also want to thank the State Games staff. It’s an awesome event for our young men. Coach Eddie Loftin at Biloxi is so giving of his time running that thing up there. It is the best value for a high school baseball player to get seen by college scouts. It is a \$5 showcase and you can’t beat that price anywhere. Then, if you make the team, it is \$150 to play for three days in front of every college in



PHOTO COURTESY OF BJ CORR
District 8 All-Stars - (left to right) Jaxon Knight of Hancock, Brennan Bilich of Bay High, District 8/Bay High head coach BJ Corr, and Ayden Howard of Hancock.

Mississippi and no telling how many colleges from neighboring states. We need to continue to grow the event and get more of our local guys involved on a yearly basis.”

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Freedom Trail Revival Series



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Last Saturday, Gulfside Assembly in Waveland hosted The 2024 Freedom Trail revival, an end racism for good worship series. The Freedom Trail Revival is a series of worship events aimed to bring together United Methodist and others of all races in worship and inspire all of us to go back to our communities empowered to stand up to racism where we find it and to stand for the radical good news of Jesus Christ for us all. The tour will honor the cloud of witnesses, both past and present, who labored before us for justice and equality. Program participants included The Mississippi Gulf Coast Chorale, Rev. Vivian Brown-Toussaint, Gulfside Assoc. Executive Director Cheryl Thompson, The Barn Perk Wesley Foundation Worship Team, Bishop Sharma D. Lewis, Rev. DeNondrea Sims, Rev. MJ Kirby, Rev. Sue Keen Hyland and Heidi Adams.

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